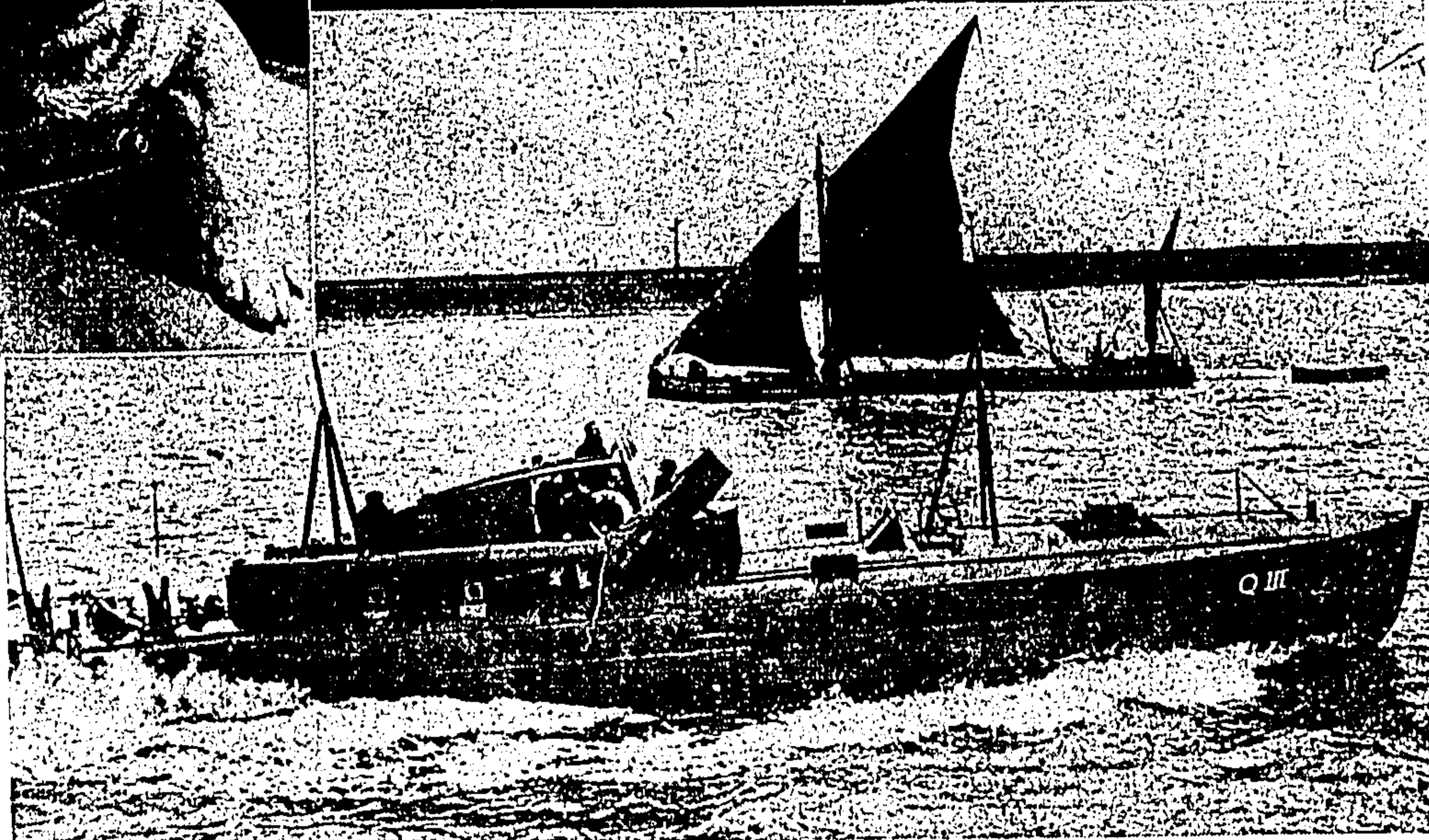


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## PICTURES FROM HOME

Last week's mail bag contained these four pictures which show, at left above, a general view of the workshop at a British aircraft factory with Blenheim bombers in various stages of construction, and at top right a striking searchlight display in South London. The best joke of the war concerns the incautious German wireless claim that "H.M.S. Kestrel" has been sunk by a U-boat. Unfortunately for the German authorities, however, the ill-fated "ship" is still in existence. It is the name given to the British Naval Air Arm Training Station, 30 miles from the coast in Hampshire, and the picture at lower left shows a naval gunner and the "ship's" mascot—both of them members of the "crew" of the doomed vessel! A view, taken during a demonstration, of a new type of motor torpedo boat, is given at lower right. The craft is 65 feet long, fitted with three 12-cylinder petrol marine engines each developing 600 h.p. and has a guaranteed speed of 39 knots. On trials she obtained a speed of 41.1 knots, or 47 miles per hour. Her armament comprises two torpedoes carried in tubes. Depth charges can be fitted and light a.a. guns fore and aft.



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At this table are Mrs. Haugland, Mrs. Helleville, Mrs. N. Welb and Mr. W. O. L. James.



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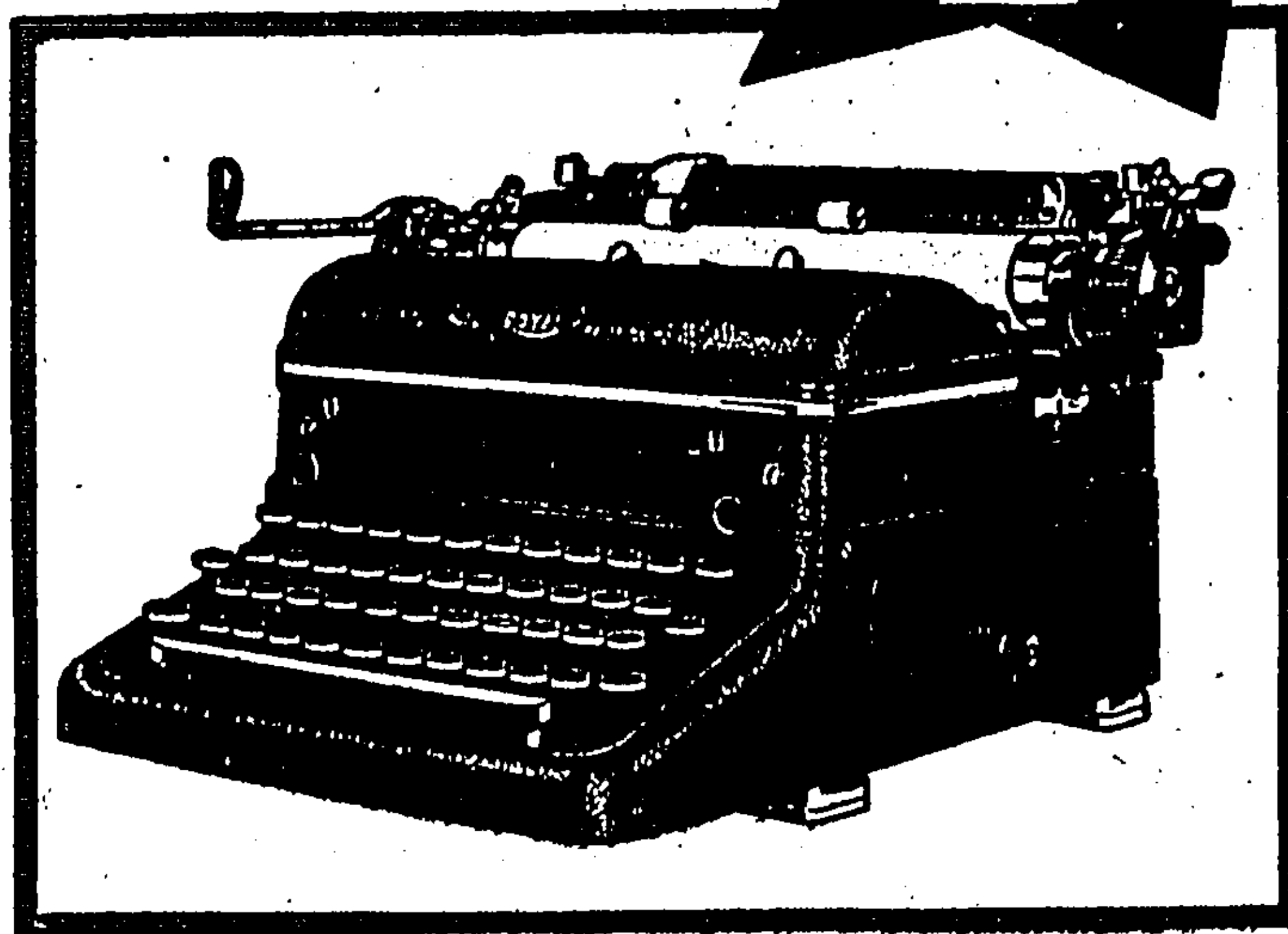
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# CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Ely Culbertson

BRIDGE players can be divided sharply into two groups: underbidders and overbidders. Of course this generality must be qualified by taking into consideration those chameleonlike players who underbid on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Sundays and overbid on the other days. [The number of accurate bidders is so pitifully small that in taking a

census we need not bother our heads about them.]

The chronic overbidder, strangely enough, is not always one of those ebullient souls who trip blithely through life, expecting heaven to protect them; he is just as apt to be a Gloomy Gus in private life, confining his orgies of optimism to the bridge table. And the habitual un-

derbidder is not necessarily a sweet old lady who shudders at the somewhat anomalous word "vulnerable." It is just as apt to be "he" who played full back on the varsity, but who cannot bring himself to a good, rousing bid on less than six honour tricks and ten winners.

This lengthy and perhaps irrelevant dissertation brings us to the following hand and the extremely vigorous bidding of the North player.

South, dealer.  
Match-point duplicate.  
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S—K Q J 6  
H—A Q 8 4  
D—A 8 2  
C—9 2

WEST

S—8 5

H—J 10 7 5

D—Q 7 5

C—A Q 6 4

EAST

S—7 2

H—K 9 3 2

D—10 9 8

C—J 10 7 5

SOUTH

S—A 10 9 4 3

H—8

D—K J 4 3

C—K 8 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 spade	Pass	3 hearts	Pass
3 spades	Pass	4 no trump	Pass
5 diamonds	Pass	6 spades	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Before I say what I think of North's bidding it is only fair to admit that South's opening bid was a trifle shaded. Nevertheless, I hasten to add, I am completely in sympathy with these light bids—particularly when the bidder is vulnerable. This statement may surprise many readers, but if they will examine further into the entire philosophy of bidding they will see the logic of it. If a player is not vulnerable he can often afford to pass questionable holdings with the expectation, or at least the hope, of entering the auction at a higher level. But when he is vulnerable he dare not plan any such thing. The danger of shading values slightly to make an opening one-bid is nothing like as great as the danger of entering the arena for the first time at the two or three level. In sum, then, the vulnerable bidder must decide between opening a light hand and being shut out of the bidding entirely. When nonvulnerable this fear does not loom as large.

Now let us get at North's horrible performance. It is true that he had four honour tricks, but his heart suit



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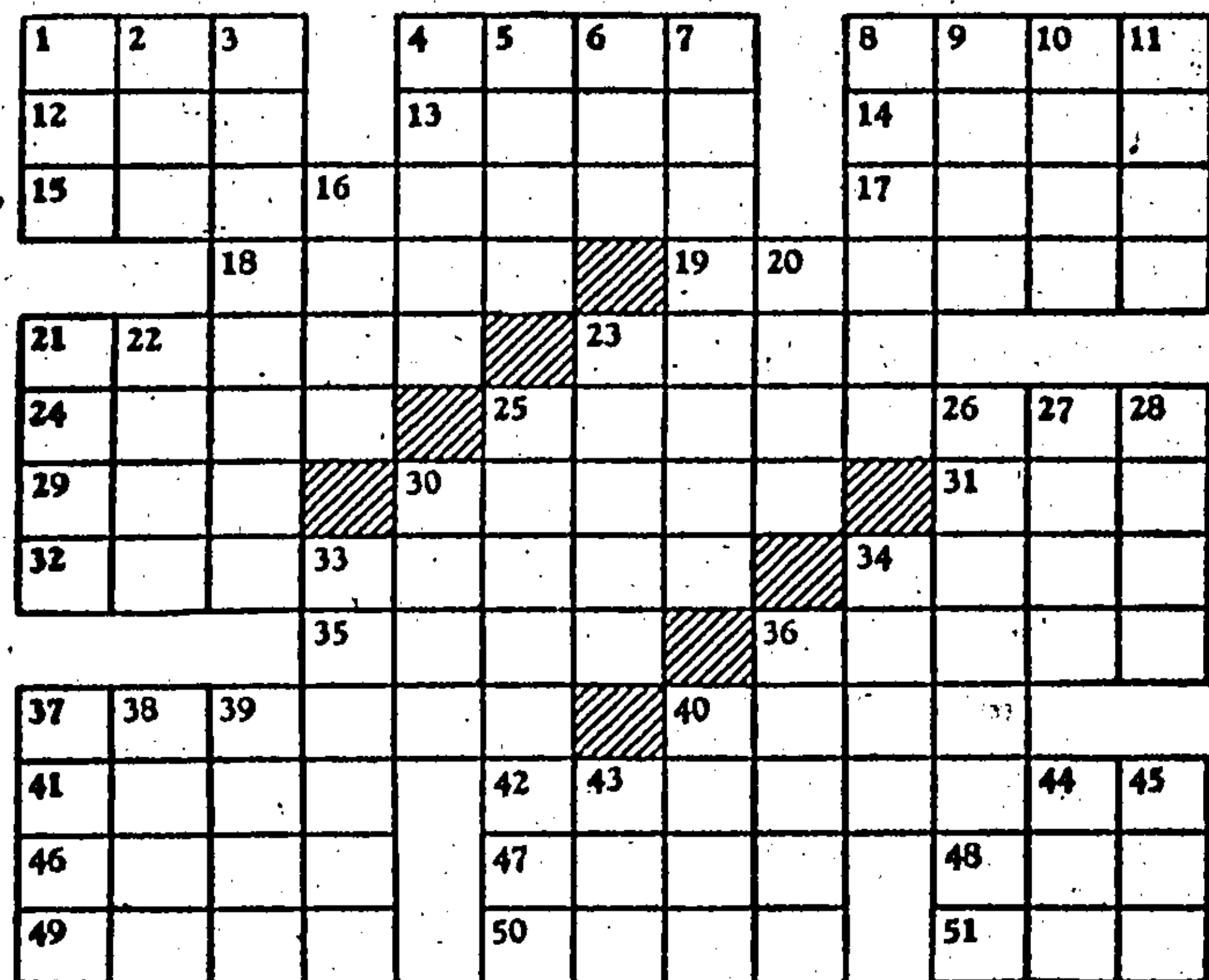
was very weak. Hence, when he made a jump takeout to three hearts, he expressed, or at least implied, in that one bid all the values of his hand, including the excellent fit for partner's suit. When South could do no more than rebid his spades [virtually forced under the circumstances, since he did not want to bid no trump with a singleton heart] North should have contented himself with a raise to four spades. If there were to be any further slam efforts they would have to come from South. The four no trump [North-South were using the Blackwood convention] was in itself overly ambitious. The following jump to six spades, after South had shown one ace with his five diamond response, was beyond the pale.

Needless to say, the contract was not fulfilled. South would have had to find a remarkable lay of cards to bring it home and this time was not that lucky.

A Motoring Correspondent says life without cars would be dull and uninteresting. But, as pedestrians point out, there would be more of it.

A producer states that Russian dancing is most difficult. To us it looks like folding your arms in front and running about while sitting down.

## SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



### HORIZONTAL

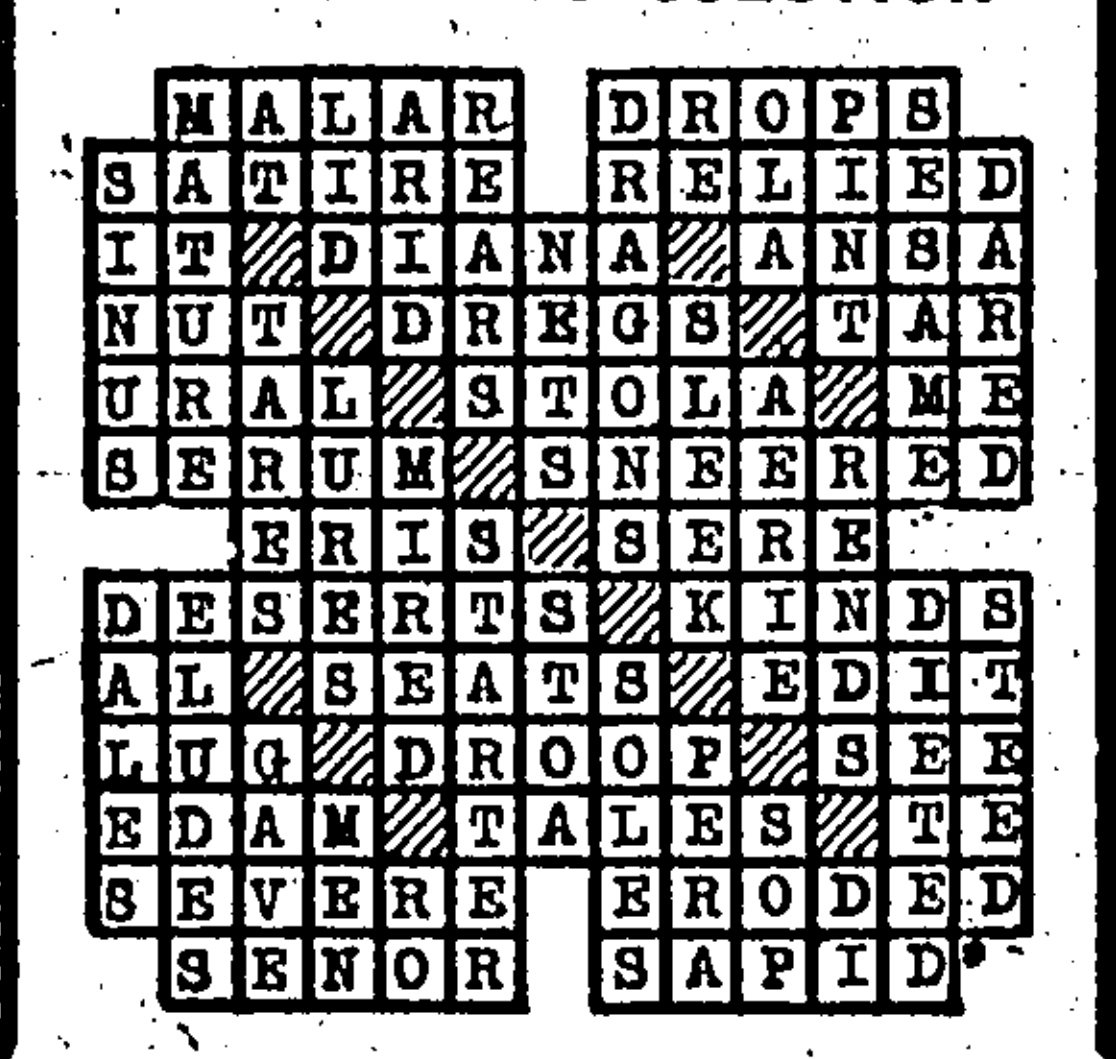
- 1 Piece of work
- 4 To box
- 8 A cleansing
- 12 Wing
- 13 To bind to secrecy
- 14 Pocketbook
- 15 Sped
- 17 Custom
- 18 Moon
- 19 Hangs
- 21 Ecclesiastical vestment
- 23 Expensive
- 24 Tank
- 25 Tarried
- 29 Sea bird
- 30 Ladies
- 31 Mother of humanity
- 32 Fore-ordained
- 34 Stormed
- 35 Worthless leavings
- 36 Executive officers
- 37 Goblin
- 40 Soft down

- 41 To cure
- 42 Response
- 46 To incite
- 47 Mountain snow
- 48 To contend
- 49 Equalled
- 50 Winter vehicle
- 51 Brownie

### VERTICAL

- 1 Notch
- 2 Palm leaf
- 3 Blimps
- 4 Rock
- 5 Smoking implement
- 6 Beverage
- 7 Blushed
- 8 Warning
- 9 Upon
- 10 Air
- 11 Successes
- 16 Pause
- 20 Tatters
- 21 Hastened
- 22 Ripped
- 23 Coins
- 25 Lamps
- 26 Kin
- 27 Level
- 28 Condensed moisture (pl.)
- 30 Squalor
- 33 Worked
- 34 Curved
- 36 Gambled
- 37 Closed
- 38 Persian elf
- 39 Wrath
- 40 To wash
- 43 Lamprey
- 44 To lubricate
- 45 Mediaeval vessel

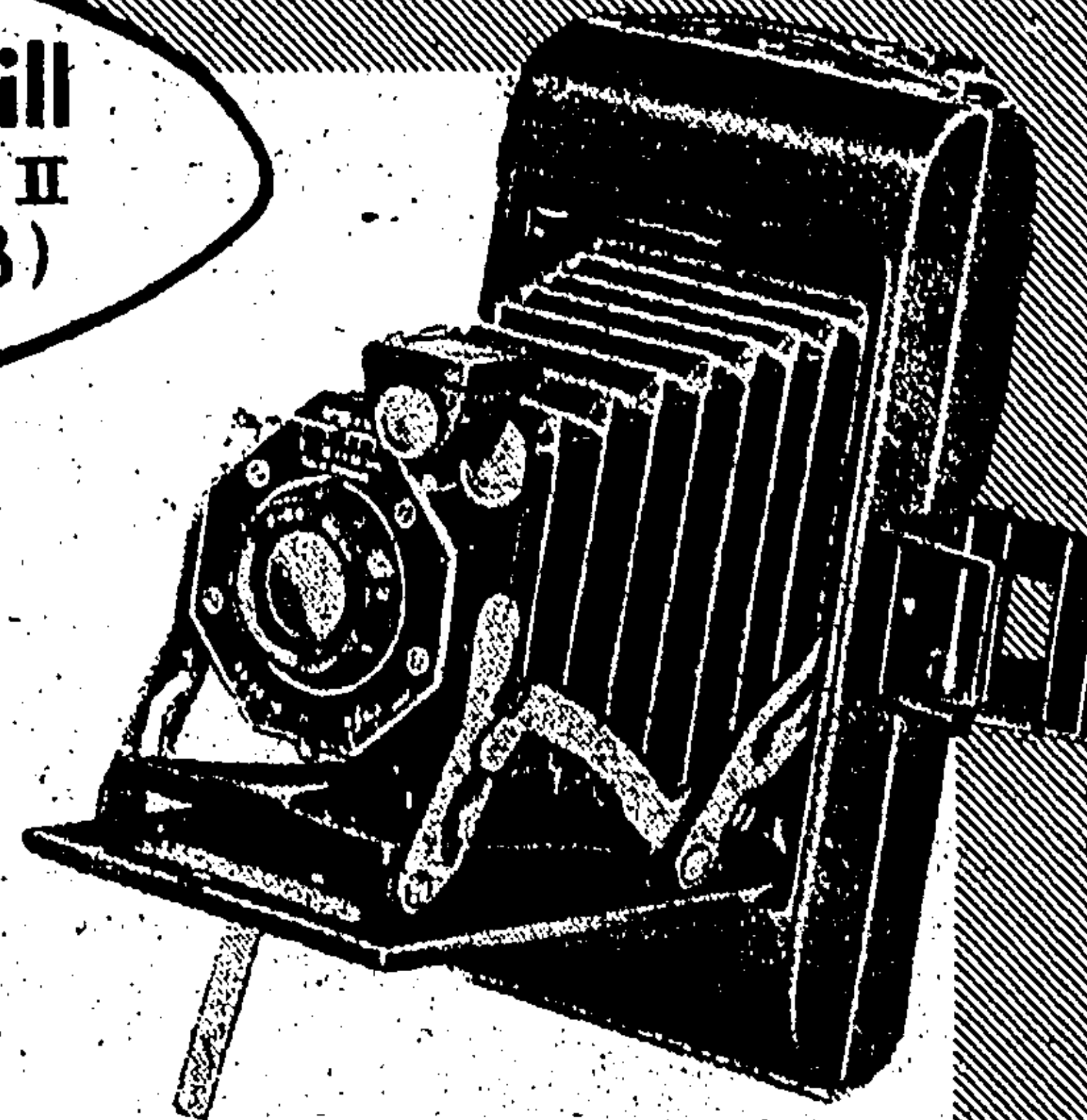
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NO longer is beauty considered

only skin deep. In fact every leading beauty authority is preaching that beauty begins with good health and vanishes with poor health. Your beauty rating depends upon your measurements, the sparkle in your eyes, the life in your hair, the grace of your movements. So no jar of cream or exotic make-up can make you a beauty. They enhance your beauty very much, that is true, but it takes concentration on health if you wish to be numbered among the belles of 1940!

The leading salons of large cities, (where women put themselves into expert hands to be remodelled as well as reconditioned) all stress the importance of sufficient exercise and corrective diets. Before you get a facial or body massage you are put through a half hour, or hour, of exercising, and then showered. "Pant before you paint," has become a beauty slogan, and all women would do well to adopt it. After exercising you are taught good eating.

### WHAT EXERCISE DO YOU GET?

This is a splendid month to begin a reconditioning programme. One which by spring will bring you renewed vitality and more attractive figure measurements.

You begin, of course, with a daily exercise programme. This may be simply a two-mile walk each day in the open air, or it may embrace definite limbering, stretching and reducing movements done in a well ventilated room at home. Of course, if you can afford a course of treatments in a beauty salon or in a gymnasium catering to women, by all means avail yourself of the expert instruction. You get more than figure fashioning there, you get a decided lift to your morale which is worth the cost of the treatments!

### REDUCING DIET

If reducing is your problem you must watch your menus. Natural-



JANE WYMAN roller skates for exercise and beauty, as do many glamour girls. Why don't you form a roller-skating club?

ly the number of calories you consume should be reduced, but on the other hand you cannot afford to starve your body of needed nourishment. The trick lies in eating of foods which create vitality but not

fat. Given two months of such a diet you will not only be more slim, but will look younger, healthier and happier, providing you rest and exercise sufficiently each day.

## IMPROVE YOUR VOICE

"THE average girl goes along in her own sweet way and assumes that only women who plan a musical career should give any attention to speech and voice," states Elsie Hitz, dramatic actress of radio whose voice has been highly praised. "Whether you aspire to be a singer or radio star," she cautions young girls, "you should train your voice to be gentle, rich and well-modulated. Caring for your voice does not take as much time from your week as going to the hair-dresser's."

As a first step in voice control Miss Hitz suggests you stand before a mirror and watch yourself talk. At the same time listen to its tone, pitch and quality. Unnecessary contortions of the mouth and face should be stopped at once.

"If you slur your words, 'swallow' your consonants, or drag out your sentences, immediately begin to correct these faults, and enunciate more clearly. Through self-observation you will soon discover your voice shortcomings."

"Practice perfect rhythmic breathing. Your chest should rise and fall in perfect rhythm. At the same time repeat one sentence over and over again. Make a point of speaking very distinctly. Round shoulders and sunken chest are responsible for the 'swallowing of syllables' so you must also practice good posture."

### DON'T YELL AT GAMES!

"To keep your voice in good condition refrain from straining it. Let the girl next to you scream at a football game—you have no idea how much damage you can do by these occasional outbursts."

"Singing lessons, if you can afford them, will help your speaking voice to attain a rich quality. You might try singing the vowels in scale, a, e, i, o, u. When you get them perfectly add the consonants and sing, ma, mi, me, mo, mu. These simple exercises give you practice in projecting your voice from the front part of your mouth."

Miss Hitz feels that one of the greatest speech faults of American women is that they try to project their speech from down in their throats. You must bear in mind, while talking, that the throat is merely a passageway for the voice and that the voice acts as a propeller to your speech.



Radio has made us very conscious of voice faults. Few women have radio-quality voices.

"Have you thought how great a part your voice plays in your relationship with men?" she queries in order to give you a shove in the right direction! "Few men can tolerate a whining voice or one with a droning, monotonous tone. Speech should be musical. But don't overdo the 'musical quality'—don't get a sing-song habit. Try to inject as much personality as you can in your conversation and keep your flow of language alive. Give emphasis to parts of speech which need it!"

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## FILM FASHIONS

(Far Left)—Forecast of 1940 are these shorts designed by Adrian for the fashion show in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's production of "The Women." Of fine, white terry cloth, shorts are topped with a very brief circular skirt.

Pastel wool in champagne tones combined with brown accessories makes the Irene dressmaker suit worn by Columbia's Jean Arthur at left. The skirt ripples to hemline fullness, and the snug hip-length jacket has a half figure eight front opening, fastened with gold lizard buttons. Her hat is a high-crowned, off-the-face halo, with a filmy lace veil.

### NAIL VARNISH YOUR JEWELLERY

We heard of a clever trick the other day, which is well worth knowing in a hot climate like ours and if you go in for costume jewellery in a big way. To keep synthetic gold necklaces from tarnishing, cover them with a coating of colourless nail varnish.



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Irene designed the harem pyjamas worn by Jean Arthur at left above. The fabric is heavy turquoise crepe, tapering from wide shoulders to a snug waistline defined with a scalloped belt. The trousers have a novel one-piece treatment; from back fullness they are looped upward from the ankles to similar front fullness. At right, Irene puts Jean Arthur in a lemon coloured satin negligee, accented with gold sequins. The negligee has a brief train, scarf sleeves draped in a figure eight and fastened to the shoulders.



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The Club "A" team which deservedly won the Blarney Stone Shield at the Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament. From left to right are D. I. Bosanquet, whose speed on a heavy ground was phenomenal, J. R. Henderson, J. M. Thomson, Club's best "find" in years, and R. E. Heasman. Front row: H. D. Bidwell, A. F. Walkden (Captain) and C. F. Needham.



Miss Yen Ngau-ching, a pupil of the Roosevelt Flying Academy, is shown above on her arrival in Hong Kong from America last Friday. She recently completed a goodwill flight to 16 Latin-American countries.



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# s Events In Pictures



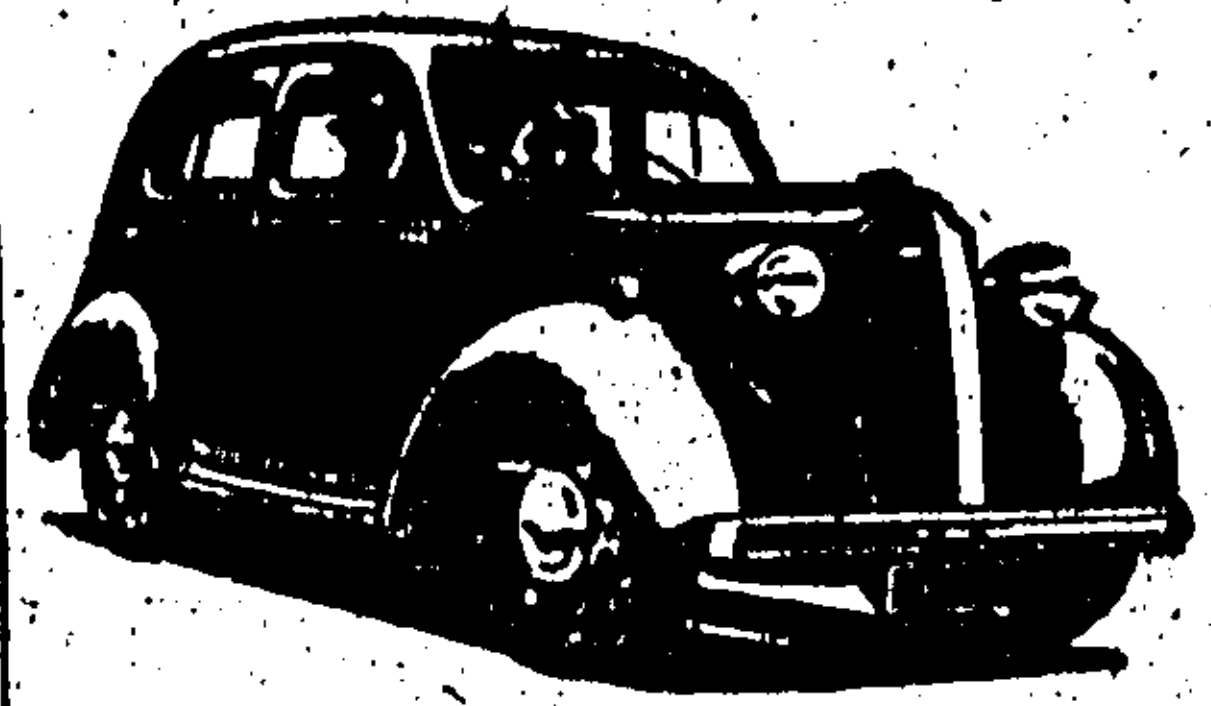
ved the wretched weather conditions last Saturday and were reward-  
at the Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament. Second from left in the front  
Hong Kong Football Club, and alongside of him is H.E. the G.O.C., Ma-  
e extreme right is H.E. the C-in-C, Admiral Sir Percy Noble, who pre-  
e conclusion of the tournament. D. I. Bosanquet, one of the club's  
m, is seen just behind Mr. Forsyth.



were taken at the conclusion of the Governor's Cup game which was  
st Sunday. In an exciting match, the Chinese Federation team won  
ng Football Association, thereby winning the cup for the third succes-  
who presented the prizes, is shown at left presenting Leo Ting-sang  
p of the Chinese Federation Football team. At right, Leung Wing-  
r's Cup, is calling for three cheers for the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.  
(Staff Photographer).



Dr. W. W. Yen, formerly Chinese  
Ambassador to Washington and  
Moscow who arrived in Hong  
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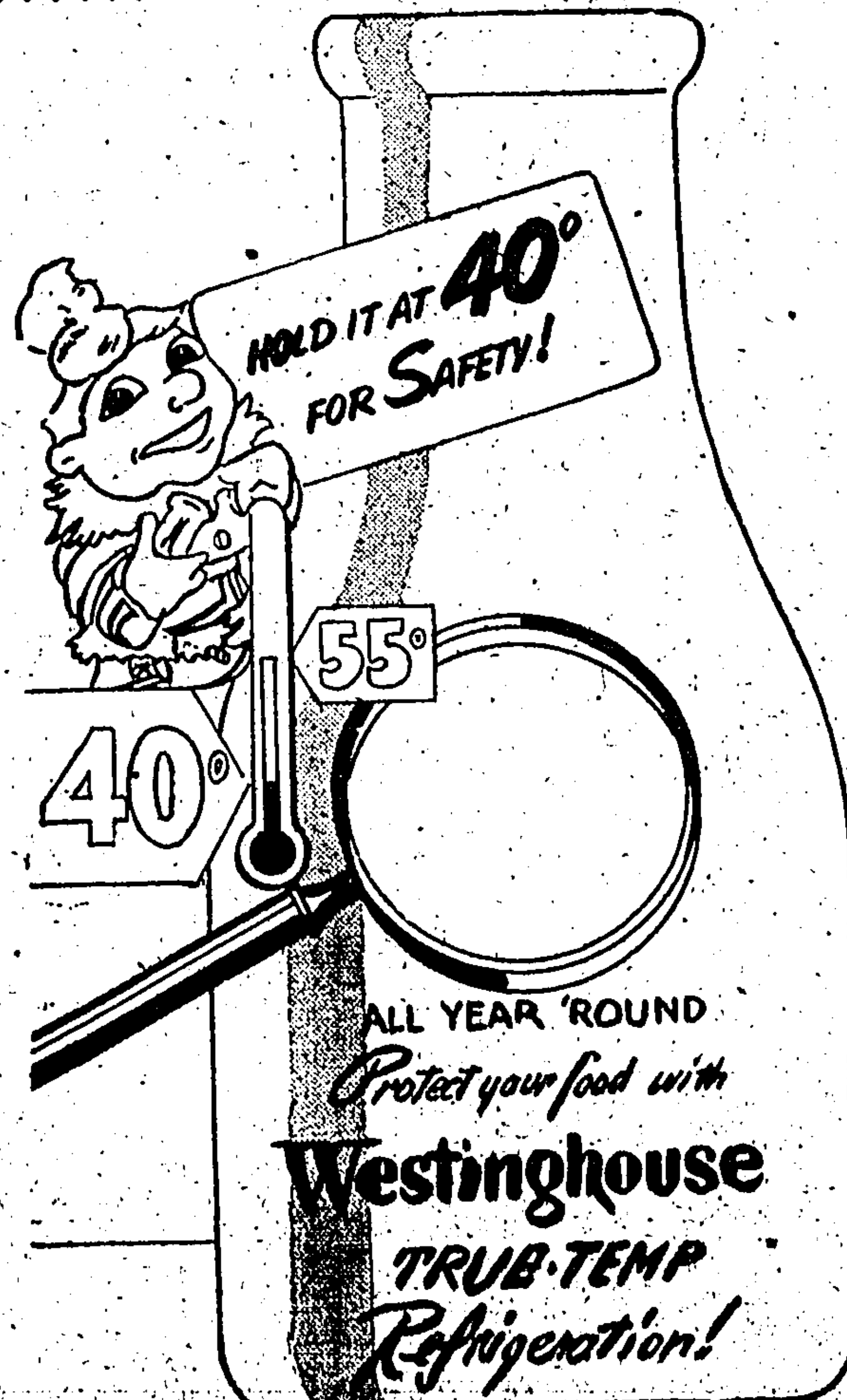
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# Shanghai Letter

Shanghai has Busiest Social Week — American Legion Dinner Dance a Mirthful, Tuneful Affair — New Officers Elected at Annual Meeting and Dinner of Oxford and Cambridge Society.

Shanghai, March 2.

Last week was probably one of the busiest in this year's Social calendar. Ferenc Molnar's "Liliom" was presented by a group of talented amateurs at the Lyceum Theatre from Tuesday to Saturday, and each day the house was practically full. The performances were given in aid of the Friends of Finland Fund and a fair amount is almost sure to reach the worthy cause as soon as accounts are closed. The performances were excellent; the press acclaiming the acting of all members of the cast. Many parties were held in connection with the performances.

On March 27, sweet charity will again benefit from an evening's entertainment to be given at the Lyceum Theatre in aid of the Polish Fund. Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H. M. Ambassador, M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador, and M. Stanislas de Rosset, Polish Charge d'Affaires, will be the patrons.

## AMERICAN LEGION DANCE

During the past crowded week, the American Legion dinner dance and raffle . . . for breathtaking prizes . . . held at the French Club on Thursday, easily led the rest. It was one of those parties where everyone hates to go home . . . a generous tribute any ambitious hostess might envy.

In the ballroom—once more gay with red, white and blue streamers

—a Legion shield gleamed over the orchestra shell. The official guests at the function included Rear-Admiral and Mrs. W. A. Glassford, Colonel and Mrs. De Witt Peck, and Mr. C. E. Gauss, U. S. Consul-General in Shanghai. Most exciting moment was when Mrs. Glassford drew the number that won the Plymouth sedan. The lucky ticket holder, Mr. T. W. Benney, was not at the ball, however, being confined to bed at the Country Hospital with pneumonia. During the evening, the French Club resounded with all the old songs sung in the days of the World War, by men in the American Expeditionary Forces. "Over There," "The Yanks are Coming," "Keep the Old Home Fires Burning" and a few verses about the milder exploits of a certain "Mademoiselle," not to mention "Tipperary," all found a big following and were heartily applauded. Mirth and music prevailed until well after the hour when guests usually make their polite, and weary farewell.

## OTHER FUNCTIONS

Gold braid and pretty signorinas were much in evidence at the Cathay Mansions last Tuesday, when Captain Francesco Camicia threw a large cocktail party in honour of Captain Giorgio Gilletti. Well over 200 guests attended and had an excellent time, as is usually the case with Italian cocktail parties.

Highly successful also, was the



The official party at the American Legion Dance included, sitting from left to right, Mrs. Glassford, Legion Commander Mark L. Moody and Mrs. De Witt Peck. Standing are Colonel De Witt Peck, Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, American Consul-General, and Rear-Admiral W. A. Glassford.

annual charity ball staged at the French Club on Friday by the Union of Russian Army and Navy men. Various national dances proved the highlights of entertainment and for the first time in many years, more waiters were played throughout the evening, than anything else. A raffle—which did its bit to further the worthy cause—met with wide approval and the ball concluded at about 4 a.m. when many were still on the dance floor, stupefied at the rapidity with which time had passed.

Colonel V. R. Burkhardt, who is also well-known in Hong Kong where he was stationed until 1938 when he retired, was the guest of honour at Friday's weekly tiffin meeting of the Royal Air Force Association of Shanghai. Col. Burkhardt is the new Military Attache and there isn't a port in the Far

East where he is not known. Few knew until Friday, however, that he is an excellent speaker, even though what he said did not get into the newspapers.

## OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE DINNER

Mr. A. H. George, H. M. Consul-General in Shanghai was the guest of the Oxford and Cambridge Society of Shanghai at their annual dinner held at the Masonic Hall on Saturday evening. For the first time in the history of the Society, a Chinese lady member was present. She is Miss Frances King. M. A. Negre, who attended the affair, is believed to be the first French member since the Society was formed 27 years ago.

As is customary, the annual meeting was held just before the dinner, and this meeting probably beats the world record for speed.

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# Shanghai Letter

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Whether this is due to the fact that everything is done very smoothly or whether it is because members are looking for the less officious part of the function, is not known, although both factors presumably have something to do with it. In any case, Mr. J. R. Jones, noted local attorney, who was the president for the past year, briefly reviewed the year's activities of the Society, the following being then elected as officials for the coming year: President, Mr. John McNeill; Vice President, Mr. Dr. J. H. Jordan; and Mr. Godfrey G. Phillips, Miss W. M. Penfold, Judge H. Y. Loo, Mr. R. H. Heyworth, and W. C. Cassells.

The dining hall was attractively decorated in the dark and light blue colours of the two universities, and a new feature was the scroll of past presidents and guests of honour which was exhibited for the first time at the function.

In a speech interlarded with humorous hyperbole, Mr. H. H. Thomas prepared the toast of the "Alma Mater". He emphasized the difficulties in making a living in present-day Shanghai, and compared the facilities of the two universities which were present with those who had the disadvantage of not knowing what true education was. In introducing the guest of honour, the president gave a short biography of Mr. George who, he said, had been in the Consular ser-



At the Oxford and Cambridge Society's Annual Dinner: from left to right, Mr. John McNeill, new President, Mr. A. H. George, British Consul-General, Mr. J. R. Jones, outgoing President.



A group of Russian ladies who took part in the floor show at the Russian Ball given at the Cercle Sportif Francals, Shanghai.

vice since 1908.

In addressing the meeting, Mr. George said that living was not so important as to make a life. At the expense of Mr. Thomas, he said that the latter had lived for the eternal verities, but he had to stick to the plain truths. He deplored that his education had been in the by-ways of different cities in Europe, learning their languages, and that since that time, he had had to get some knowledge of the business practice of Shanghai—or perhaps of the practitioners. He struck a serious note, however, when he urged all present to co-operate in the Empire's united task. The speech was greeted with great applause.

A bachelor J.P. says he will never marry because at the week-end he prefers to play golf rather than sit at home eating meals. Still, one of these days he may meet a girl who would rather play bridge than cook!

A politician has reminded us that it rains on the just as well as the unjust. But it rains more on the just if he happens to leave his umbrella within reach of the unjust.

Skirts will be briefer than ever next winter, it is predicted. And, as the winter is also the season when milk becomes dearer, it looks as if there may be a serious shortage of laps for cats.



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# THE WORLD—IN LIGHTER VEIN

## TSKI TSKI

Gently, he pushed her quivering shoulders back against the chair. She raised beseeching eyes in which faint hope and fear were struggling. From her parted lips, the breath came in short, wrenching gasps. Reassuringly, he smiled at her. Bzzzzz, went the dentist's drill.

## A PARDONABLE ERROR

An old man was leading a young girl of about fifteen to the altar. As they approached, the minister looked them over speculatively.

"The font," he murmured, "is at the other end of the church."

"The font?" wheezed the old man. "What do we want with the font? We want to get married."

"Oh, I beg your pardon," said the reverend. "I thought you were bringing this child to be christened."



"Pay the full fare, Mummy, and spare me a long discussion about my age."—Politiken, Denmark.

## PLEASANT PROSPECT

The man getting his hair cut noticed that the barber's dog had his eyes fixed on his master at work.

"Nice dog," said the customer. "He seems very fond of watching you cut hair."

"Tain't that," said the barber. "You see, sometimes I makes a mistake an' snips off a piece of a customer's ear."

## INCIDENT IN THE ASYLUM

While inspecting an insane asylum recently, one of Europe's dictators had a funny experience. One of the inmates rushed out of his room and ran square up to the dictator's face and took a deep breath. Then he ran back to his quarters as fast as his spindly legs would carry him. Enraged at this strange behaviour, the dictator turned to the head keeper and roared:

"Who does he think he is?"

Bowing low the man replied:

"Ferdinand the Bull!"

## WHEN MEMORY FAILED

Attending a banquet in the United States, a visiting Englishman was much amused and struck by a sentimental toast, which was given as follows:—

"Here's to the happiest hours of my life—

Spent in the arms of another man's wife:

My mother!"

When he returned to England, he resolved at a banquet given in his honour to make use of the verse.

"Here's to the happiest hours of my life—," he proclaimed.

"Spent in the arms of another man's wife!" Here his memory failed him, however, so he finished:

"And, by Jove, I've forgotten who it was!"



"I only wish I could get rid of it. I never get asked for a dance while it's there."—London Opinion.

## A FORTUNE

Two French soldiers were told that they could have 100 francs for every German prisoner they were able to bring in.

They went out into No-Man's Land to find some. One of them advanced a little and returned after a while to his friend.

"Don't tell anybody," he whispered, "but there's about 2,000,000 francs coming our way this very minute!"

## THE SHAGGY DOG

"Courier" has been making some research into the Shaggy Dog Story: without much success, they are compelled to admit.

As far as they can gather, the original Shaggy Dog was the one in the advertisement. A postmaster in a Mid-West town in America found a seven-months-old copy of the Times. He sat idly scanning the advertisements; then started and cut out an advertisement:—

LOST, large shaggy dog. £50 reward. Apply Lord Binks, 324, Belgrave Square.

For the postmaster had discovered just such a dog in the streets of the town. He tied a string to the dog's collar, packed his clothes, got on a train, took a boat, landed in England, rushed to London, and, arriving at 324, Belgrave Square at midnight, knocked at the door.

"I gotta see Lord Binks."

"I am Lord Binks."

"Well, did you advertise for a large shaggy dog?"

"Yes, why?"

"I got him here."

Lord Binks looked out, said, "Too damned shaggy," and slammed the door.

That is the old original. But the following is also classified under "Shaggy Dog."

In the dead of night a well-dressed man, horribly intoxicated, banged madly at the door of a house in Park Lane. A butler peered timorously out. "What do you want sir?"

"I've gotta see . . . hop! I've gotta see Sir Timothy hiccup Smith."

"But—"

"Madder as life and death. Ah-hup! Hic-scuse me! Quickly!"

Sir Timothy came down. "Why damn and blast you, man, what the devil do you mean by this unwarrantable damned intrusion, confound you?"

"Did you advertise for a man to go with you on an expedition?"

"Yes."

"Safari in East Africa?"

"Yes, yes, I did."

"To hunt elephants and . . ."

"Well, sir, well?"

"To hunt lions an' tigers in abundance?"

"Well, sir?"

"Well, I came to tell you, I'll see you damned before I come with you."

## GOOD SPORTS

ALFIE was asked to name two ancient sports. He thought for a moment, then replied: "Anthony and Cleopatra!"

## DOWN TO FINE POINTS

The judge had called the next case, and an Irishman was brought in who had evidently been in a grand battle. Pat was some sight, but his opponent was infinitely worse. He was there in court as the complaining witness, and when Pat saw him, he wanted to start fighting all over again.

The judge calmed him down and asked him what was the cause of the brawl.

"He called me a slob, your honour," Pat burst out.

"Well, that isn't anything to start a fight over," said the judge.

"But what would you do, your honour, if he called you an Irish slob?"

"The court is not Irish," the judge said sternly.

"Well, suppose he called you a Dutch slob?"

"The court is not Dutch."

"Then what would you do if he called you the kind of slob you are?"

## TALKING TEETH

The new minister of the Hoot Hollow church had been delivering sermons which the elders considered too short, and the reason he gave for this deficiency was his lack of teeth. So the elders decided to take up a collection for him, and send for a set of mail-order teeth.

The teeth arrived, and the next sermon was just the right length. But thereafter each sermon grew longer and longer, until at last the elders wrote to the tooth company to complain.

The company apologized profusely. It seems that they had sent a set of women's teeth by mistake!



"If you don't come back, Steve, can I finish your lunch?"—The Bulletin, Australia.

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An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds and Ends Noted in the Month's Reading.

If you can operate a typewriter, it should be the easiest thing in the world to play a novel musical instrument recently invented by Alexander Rose, a court reporter in the Borough of the Bronx, New York City. Resembling a small portable typewriter in appearance, the novel instrument is played by typing out words on keys, following a written score in the form of words inscribed on a sheet of paper, thus eliminating the necessity of learning to read musical notations. The keys of the instrument strike strings inside, and the tone produced resembles that of a zither. —*Popular Science*, New York.

Fine ladies developed the art of toying with a fan or lace handkerchief to hide mouths disfigured by bad teeth. —*Science Digest*, Chicago.

Water as an aid in treating cancer is the latest discovery of science. It has been discovered by Dr. Failla of the Memorial Hospital, New York.

He stumbled on it while working out a theory to explain the lethal effect of X-rays on cancer cells.

Briefly his theory is this: An electric charge passing through a cell divides the molecules of protoplasm inside the cell into positively and negatively charged particles. These then recombine to form new chemical substances thus disturb-



The former Miss Sung Hung Fong, whose marriage to Mr. Norman Ho took place at the Registry, Supreme Court on March 15. (Studio de Luxe).

ing the osmotic pressure inside the cell. In order to establish osmotic equilibrium in the cell, water from the intercellular spaces flows into the cell through the membrane causing the cell to swell up and die.

If this theory were true, he argued, water injected directly into a tumor after treatment with X-rays would increase the swelling of cancer cells and kill them more quickly.

The experiment was made on 82 mice infected with cancer. After the X-ray treatment, small amounts of distilled water were injected into the tumors several times a day for three to six days. It was found that the tumors were completely cured.

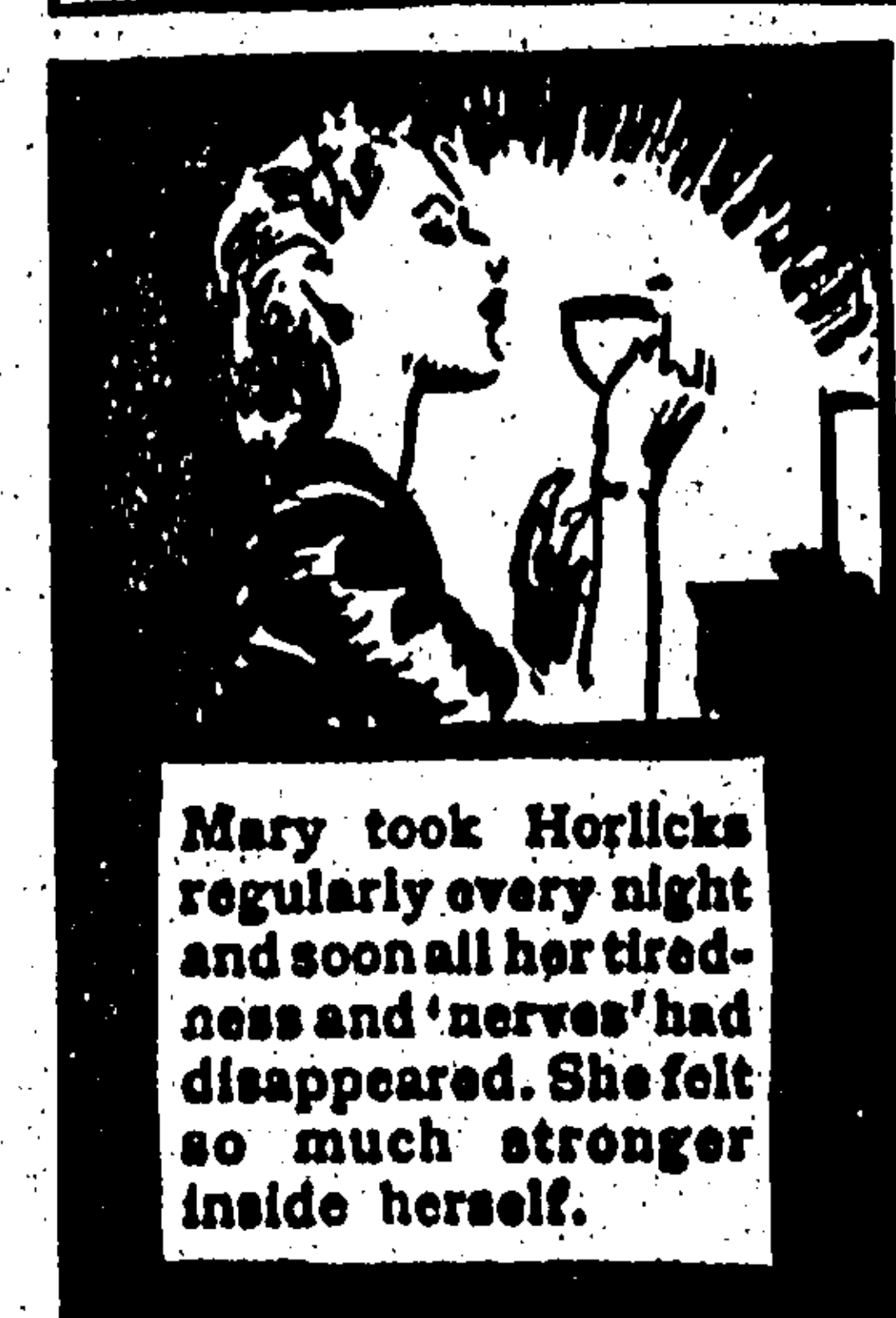
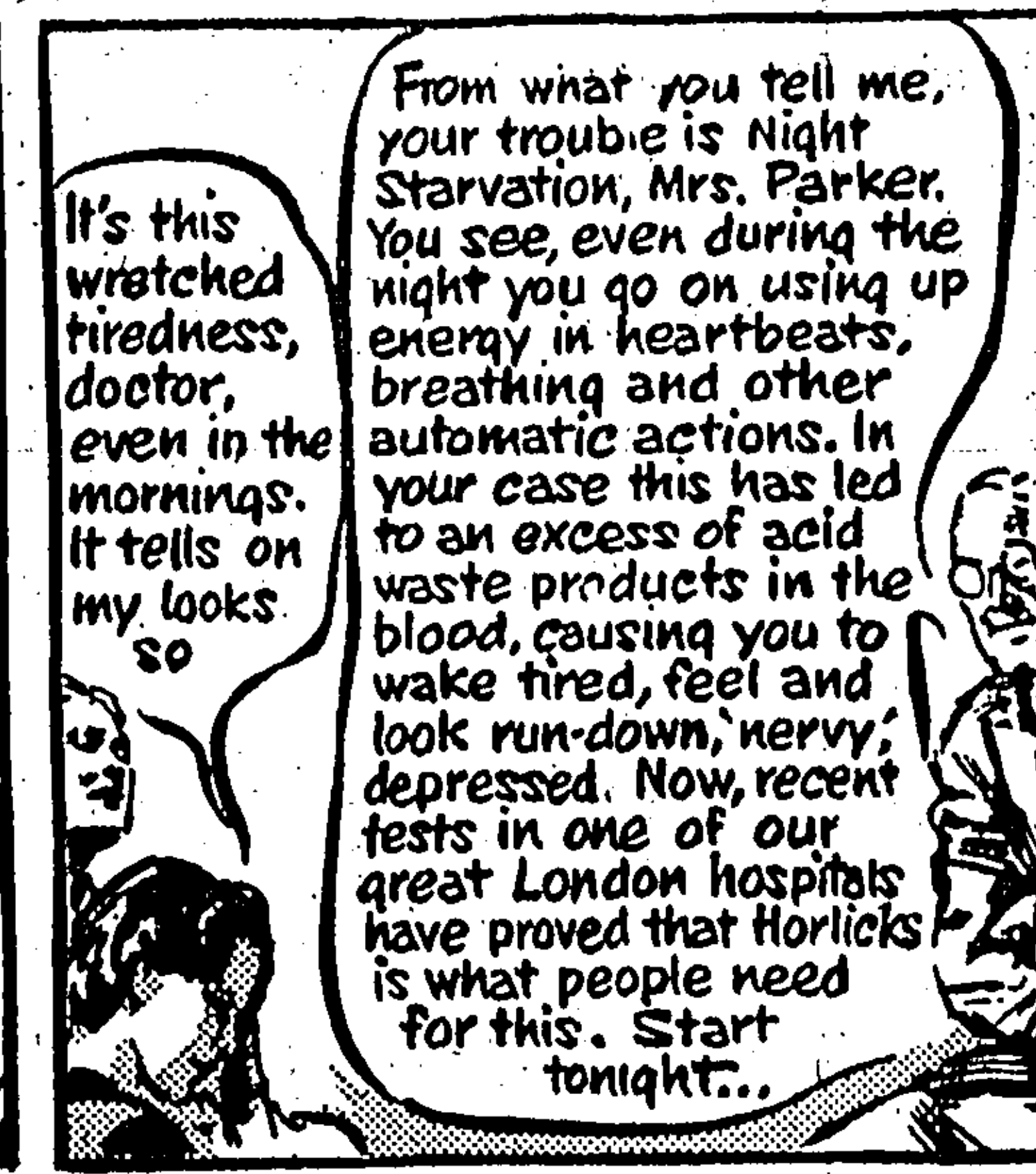
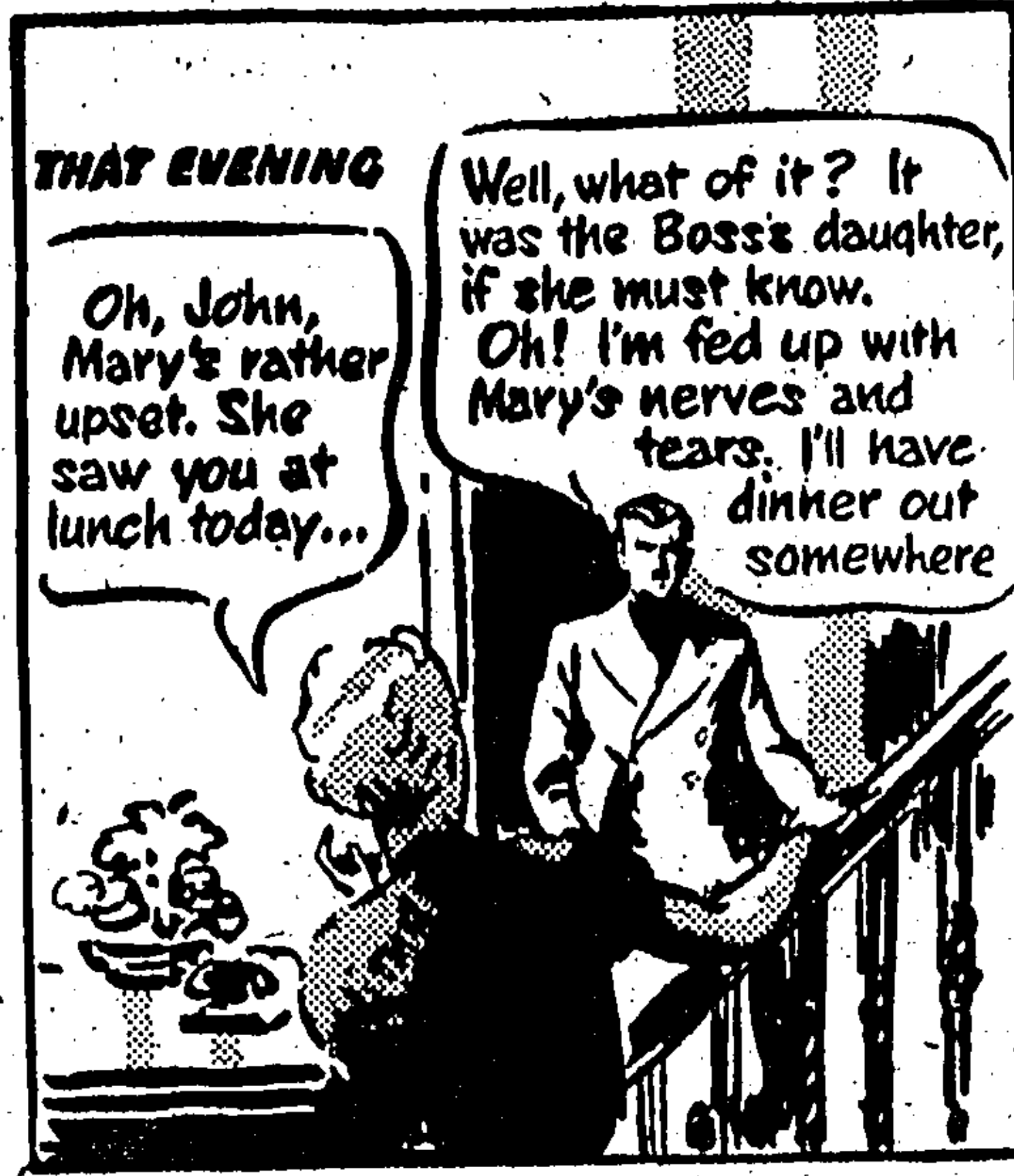
—*The Indian Review*, Madras, India.

The Chinaman laughs when told bad news—to fool the evil spirits he believes in. He scratches his foot instead of his head to stimulate thought. —*China Digest*, Shanghai.

## MOTHERS ARE OFTEN PEACEMAKERS



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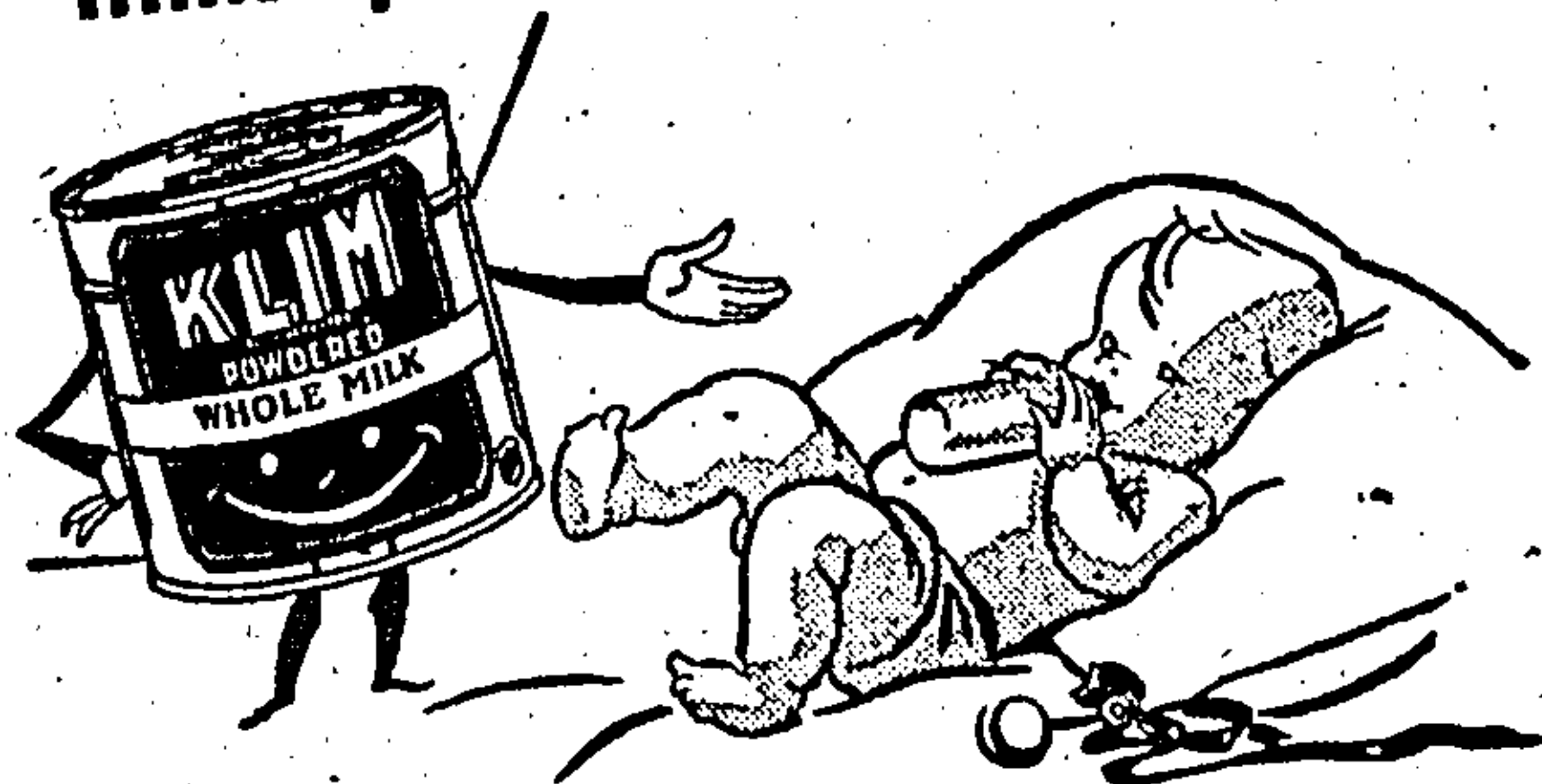


H.M.S. Arawa's team, seen above, gave a plucky display against the more experienced Royal Scots' "A" team in their first match and lost 12-0 after a game which produced many amusing incidents. Unlike those games played on the final day, this match was decided in bright sunshine and on a hard ground, factors which further handicapped the rugged sailors.



The 5th A.A. "B" team, seen above, were completely outplayed by 8th Heavy Regt. "A" and lost by 21-0 in their first game. This team sportingly filled the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of the Doctors' team.

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## The Rugby Sevens

(Staff Photographer)



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Paul saw very little of the ball in the match in which Royal Engineers beat H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships "A" 8-0, after extra time, but he is seen here making ground with Artlingtall of Sappers in pursuit.



The 8th Heavy Regt. "A" team, seen above, gave a very impressive display in their first match, but the wet conditions on Saturday proved too great a handicap and they lost to Sappers by 3-0 after extra time. Hook, not included in the above team, took Cook's place on Saturday.



The 8th Heavy Regt. "B" team, seen above, lost to Police "A", last year's winners, in their first match. The score was 10-0.



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## REYNAUD'S RESPITE

*French Inner Cabinet's Meeting*

### UNSHAKEN BY NARROW ESCAPE

Paris, Yesterday.

The Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, undismayed by narrowly escaping defeat in the Chamber, has summoned the new War Committee or Inner Cabinet to meet this morning and rouse France to greater war victory efforts.

M. Reynaud now has ten days respite until Parliament reassembles in which to strengthen his position.

The Government's decision to remain in office is welcomed in most political circles.

It is felt the numerous abstentions among the Radicals during the voting on the motion of confidence had a somewhat paradoxical character seeing that the best-known Radical leaders, including M. Daladier, had accepted office in the Reynaud Government.

It is widely believed that M. Reynaud's decision to "face up to the job" and carry on will bring its reward in rallying a substantial majority to his support. — Reuter.

#### Nearly A Bloomer

Havas says that had the Radical Socialists realised that their abstention imperilled the Cabinet's existence, they would have voted on the confidence motion.

Their attitude was apparently due to determination to impress on the Government their demand for more vigorous prosecution of the war.

#### Analysis Of Voting

An official analysis of the voting in the Chamber shows that out of 109 Radical deputies, 10 voted against the Government, including M. Mistral, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Commission.

There were 48 Radicals among the 110 deputies who abstained from voting.

Since two Radicals were absent, 49 Radicals actually voted for the Government.

The Reynaud Ministry contains 10 Radical deputies and senators as Ministers and one under-secretary out of a total of 22 Ministers and 13 under-secretaries. — Reuter.

### DIAMOND FIND IN THE URALS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Berne, Yesterday.

A Soviet geological expedition has discovered in the Ural Mountains what is believed to be the richest diamond mine in the world, the German news agency asserts.

The mine is located in the vicinity of the Mechevavauka River.

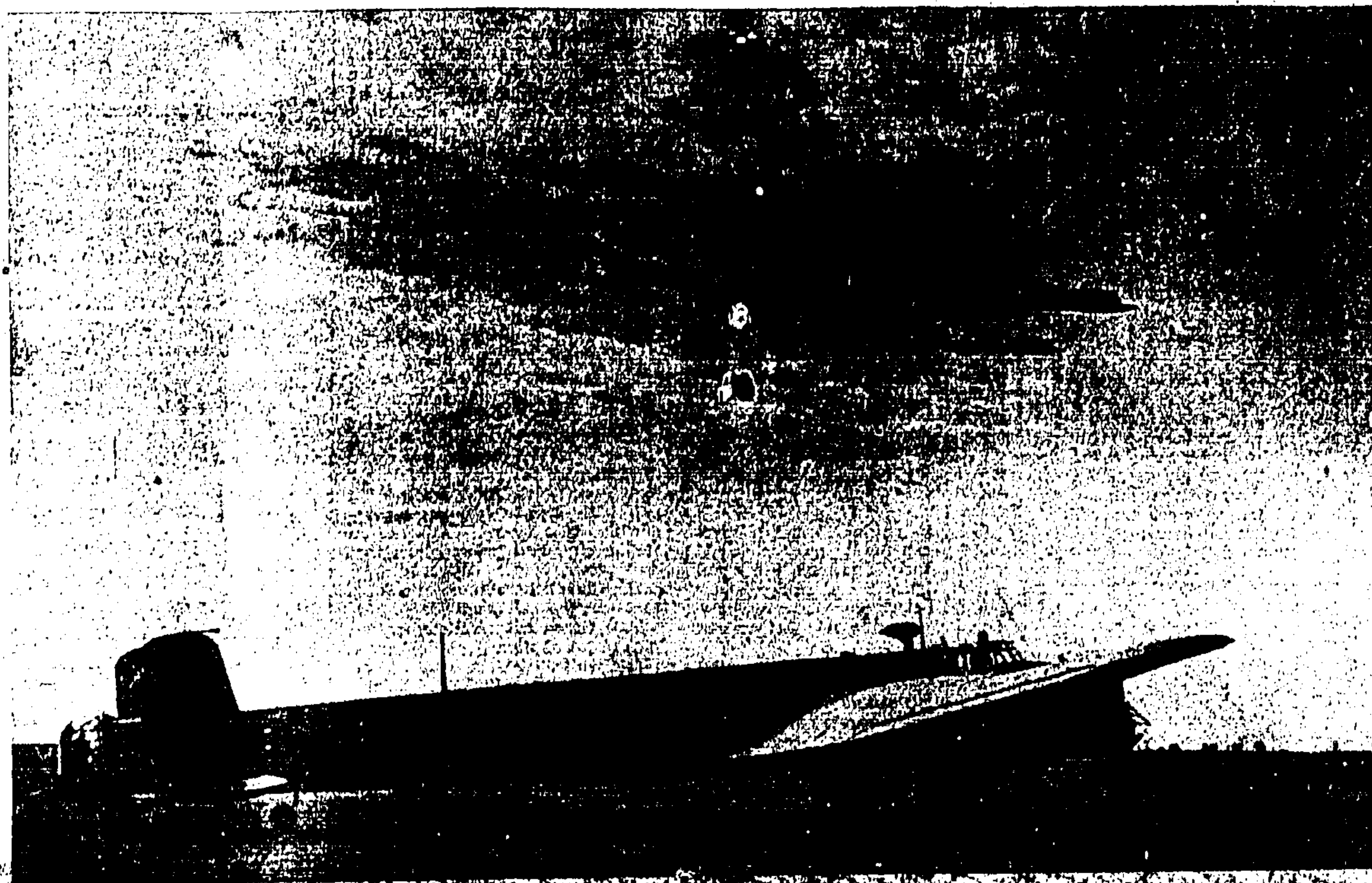
Another expedition is to leave Moscow in the near future to conduct a thorough survey of the district. — Havas.

### BRITISH CABINET RESHUFFLE RUMOURED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday.

IT IS RUMOURED IN POLITICAL circles that a Cabinet reshuffle may take place over the Easter holidays. Despite the persistent rumour the possible changes are shrouded in deepest mystery. — Havas.



Some of the huge R.A.F. bombers which took part in Tuesday night's raid on Sylt. This impressive study shows a night of bombers after the take-off over one of the same types on the ground. Belonging to the R.A.F. Bomber Command, they have already earned fame for daring night flights of sometimes up to ten hours over enemy territory on reconnaissance and leaflet-dropping expeditions. They are also pioneers of the famous "Security Patrol" regularly maintained over the bases which were bombed. (Air Mail Copyright).

## SWEDEN PREPARES FOR SQUALLS

Stockholm, Yesterday.

WHILE THE FATE OF THE proposed defensive alliance between Sweden, Norway and Finland still hangs in the balance, Sweden has begun a big drive to strengthen her defences.

New developments reported to-day are, firstly, that a new and younger commander-in-chief of the army has been appointed. He is Major-General Ivar Holmquist.

### NORWEGIAN NOTE

OSLO, YESTERDAY. NORWAY HAS PRESENTED A NOTE TO GERMANY EXPRESSING GREAT UNEASINESS REGARDING GERMANY'S METHODS OF SEA WARFARE WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF MANY NORWEGIAN SHIPS.

The Note referred particularly to the torpedoing of three ships which the Norwegian Government regards as illegal since they were carrying no contraband.

The Note asks that the question be discussed as soon as possible. — Reuter.

### CREW OF LA CORUNNA INTERNED

LONDON, YESTERDAY. It is now revealed that the Nazi seamen landed from an auxiliary warship yesterday were members of the crew of the La Coruna, which set fire to herself on being sighted by a British warship recently.

Comprising 60 officers and men, the Germans were landed and interned in Scotland. — Reuter.

Secondly, 10,000 conscripts who have not yet received military training are being called up for 150 days service.

Thirdly, some categories of the 1939 and 1938 naval conscripts have been called up.

Fourthly, Sweden's defence outpost in the Baltic—the island of Gotland—has been more strongly fortified than at any time in its history.

Fifthly, in the north, the vital strategic fortress of Boden has just been visited by a party of Swedish officials who described it as "impenetrable."

STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE. The island's strategic importance has grown since Russian outposts have been set up at Hangoe (and Baltischport, in Estonia, on the other side of Sweden in the Baltic.

Gotland, it is thought, would be one of the principal objectives of an attack against Sweden by Germany.

Now barbed-wire entanglements, underground forts and a grim array of anti-aircraft batteries have been installed. — Reuter.

### R.A.F. PAYS ANOTHER VISIT TO SYLT

LONDON, YESTERDAY. R.A.F. planes have again been over Sylt and saw the successful results of the big raid.

An Air Ministry announcement says enemy anti-aircraft guns and fighter planes made it impossible for our machines to get near enough to take satisfactory photographs of the damage. — Reuter.

### MR. SAVAGE

Wellington, Yesterday. The condition of Mr. M. J. Savage, the New Zealand Premier, who is seriously ill, is unchanged. — Reuter.

## NEW PLANES FOR ALLIES

New York, Yesterday.

A Washington telegram to the "New York Times" states that according to officials, following conferences with the War Department, plans are nearing completion to make available to Britain and France about 2,000 of the latest type planes ordered by the U.S. Army.

It is reported that a decision in principle was reached that nearly \$1,000,000,000 in additional Allied aeroplane buying would so increase United States production capacity that large aeroplane reserves would no longer be essential, and therefore many aeroplanes ordered by the U.S. Army would be made available for sale to the Allies. — Reuter.

## BEAUTIFUL WOMEN GIVE TURKEY THE JITTERS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Ankara, Yesterday.

Turkey has a spy scare over the number of beautiful foreign women now in Istanbul.

She fears they are potential Mata Haris ready to sell her secrets to Germany.

The women are principally Hungarians, calling themselves dancers or artists.

This causes the Press to recall that the famous German spy of the last war was also a dancer.

BAR FREQUENTERS. One paper says: "Most of these fifteen-haired girls are spies. They frequent dance halls and bars, drinking Turkish money, but mainly trying to gather information."

The spies, says the paper, go on to Syria, Palestine, and Egypt.

"Under the pretext of entertaining officers, they fulfil the task entrusted to them by the German Government." — Havas.

Moscow, Yesterday. Reports of M. Molotov's forthcoming visit to Berlin could not be confirmed to-day.

German circles in Moscow say the trip is "extremely unlikely." — Havas.

## Tough On The Steak

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

Foreign words will be completely banned from use in German inns and hotels — Fritz Deesen, leader of the German innkeepers, has decided in a manifesto to his subordinates.

The word "restaurant" will be banned and replaced by "gaststube," "bofstueck" by "backstueck" and so on.

The decision must be enforced at once and the prohibited words must disappear immediately from menus and posters.

Deesen gained prominence and his present job after having catered to Hitler at the famous Godesberg interview between Mr. Chamberlain and Hitler in 1938. — Havas.

### AIR VIOLATIONS

London, Yesterday.

Foreign planes, believed to be German, violated the neutrality of Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg four times yesterday. — Havas.

## Search On Board For Dr. Schacht

New York, Yesterday.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS from Gibraltar the Italian liner Conte di Savoia (48,502 tons) was held up for 13 hours and thoroughly searched in an attempt to find Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, the Nazi financial expert, who was rumoured to be on board en route to the United States.

The ship's captain is alleged to have stated Dr. Schacht was not on board.

Mr. Sumner Welles, President Roosevelt's special envoy to Europe, is travelling back to America in the liner. — Reuter.

Havas states that the official reason given for the delaying of the giant liner was that the British authorities had reason to believe that persons were travelling on board under false passports.

## BRITAIN'S CYCLING EASTER

London, Yesterday.

Britain's Easter may well be described as a cycling Easter, as fewer cars are on the road, owing to petrol rationing, and thousands are taking their holidays on bikes.

However, when a count was made in London yesterday, cars were leaving the capital at the rate of 1,000 an hour.

The railways are busy and the Great Western report heavier traffic than in peacetime. This is partly due to men on leave and partly to parents visiting their children in the country.

Many Britons are staying at home "digging for victory." Easter is the traditional time for planting seeds and many are now growing their own vegetables. — Reuter.

### DANUBE FLOOD HAVOC IN HUNGARY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Budapest, Yesterday.

The Danube flood is taking bigger and bigger proportions and 30,000 people are seriously affected, mainly in the Szeged region.

A special commission has been appointed by the Government for relief work in the inundated areas. — Havas.

## TURKEY CALLING UP WOMEN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Ankara, Yesterday.

Women, as well as men, are liable for military service under a law just reviewed by the Turkish Supreme Defence Council.

All citizens between 16 and 65 can be called up in the event of general or partial mobilisation or exceptional circumstances.

The law makes no distinction between men and women, except to define respective duties which they must undertake.

Plans are being made for women soldiers to be issued with uniforms similar to those worn by Britain's A.T.S.

"WE ARE READY." The Supreme Defence Council announced that they have examined Turkey's defence preparations and consider them to be satisfactory.

The announcement says: "The Supreme Defence Council met under the President of the Republic on March 7, 8, and 11 and completed the agenda before it."

The Council studied, in particular, the preparations and measures concerning the defence of the country and found them to be satisfactory. — Havas.

### AIR ACTIVITY OVER WESTERN FRONT

PARIS, YESTERDAY.

THE WESTERN FRONT IS UNDERGOING AN EASTER CALM, THOUGH YESTERDAY'S IMPROVEMENT IN THE WEATHER RESULTED IN INCREASED AIR ACTIVITY.

French planes took photographs of the German rear and support lines, while a German plane flew over France. French planes were also active on the Alsace front. — Reuter.

Paris, Yesterday. This morning's French war communiqué said there was patrol activity east of the Saar. — Reuter.

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# THE IMPORTANCE OF COLOUR HARMONY

THE right combination of colours is very important. It is surprising how many women will quite happily wear a green hat, a brown coat, and a blue scarf, with the dress beneath probably of a different shade from any of these. This unhappy collision of colours is due to the fact that the woman in question buys her clothes thoughtlessly.

If your dress allowance is limited, do not buy a green hat just because you happen to fancy it, but consider in the first place whether you have any garment in your wardrobe with which it can be worn successfully. Any two colours that are definitely in contrast without clashing can usually be allied, but remember that even in colour two may be company, where three is a crowd!

There are certain tri-colour alliances, such as the inevitable red, white, and blue, but they are not often very happy alliances in dress. The colours that combine most happily are those which the painter mixes to produce another colour. For instance, red and blue, which combine to make mauve, go safely together, and blue and yellow, from which green is obtained, can also walk hand in hand. It is usually safe to assume that any one colour will combine with either of the two colours which, mixed together, compose the shade in question. As an example, be-

cause green is composed by the mingling of blue and yellow, it can be combined effectively with either of these two colours.

Perhaps Nature is the wisest teacher of colour alliance. Take the shades of green, yellow and white, and mauve, pink and blue, that appear in daffodils, narcissi, hyacinths, tulips, and bluebells, and then the varying shades of green as a background to the brilliance of summer flowers, and then finally the brown, gold, reds, and orange, of autumn foliage in the Bush. Nature never makes a mistake in her colour scheme, and affords a text-book of colour that we should do well to study.

Black and white is the best example of the successful union of complete contrasts, but either black or white is a good standby, for the former can be allied to any colour except brown, and white to any colour imaginable.

The real danger of colour clashing lies not so much in the alliance of two contrasting shades, as in two shades of the one colour, or one to which it is closely related. Certain shades of pink and red, seen together, are terrible to gaze upon, while a frock of a greeny-blue tint, worn with a blue hat that has a touch of mauve in its make-up, is another colour disaster.

Colours that must never meet in any dress ensemble are pink and orange, scarlet and pink, black and brown, purple and cerise, dark blue and dark brown, orange and vermillion, and wine colour and vermillion.

Apart from the usual dresses and two-piece outfits and tailored suits that compose the average woman's wardrobe, there are usually, perhaps, two coats and a couple of hats that do not belong to any particular ensemble, and it is wise to spend a little thought over what the colour of these should be, so that they may be

worn without clashing with various dresses.

If black is chosen for one of these "odd" coats it is essential that there should be a black hat and shoes to go with it, and this, of course, could be worn effectively with any bright colour. Brown is always a good choice, for one usually has brown or beige shoes, as these go with so many colours and are lighter-looking than black ones; and so long as the shoes and coat tone or match, and the hat and dress are of the same shade, the whole can be made to look quite harmonious.

It is worth while to bear in mind, when buying a coat or a dress, that it will be more useful to you if you adhere to the colour scheme that obtains in the majority of the garments in your wardrobe. Thus the danger is avoided of finding yourself forced to wear a hat whose colour quarrels with that of your coat, or a coat that clashes with the dress beneath.

The effectiveness of shaded colour schemes must not be forgotten. Beautiful results are achieved by modern manufacturers in shaded materials. Lovely for a brunette is an evening gown in chiffon that shades from palest primrose through gold to orange and finally to brown; greens that shade from palest lily-leaf to deep sage; powder blue that deepens to that of an Italian sky, and palest pinks that shade into deepest rose red.

Here is a brief resume of colours that may be safely allied:

Pale Green with: Yellow, mauve, pink, brown, flame, purple, silver, black white.

Dark Green with: Scarlet, rust red, brown, orange, cerise, beige, black, white, gold.

Scarlet with: Black, white, brown, navy, green, cornflower blue, silver-grey, gold, violet.

Beige with: Brown, dark blue, pale blue, pale green, orange, dusty pink.

Rose Pink with: Silver, light and dark green, pale mauve, powder blue, brown, black, dark grey, navy blue.

Sky Blue with: Silver, brown, very pale pink, black, dark grey, beige, lemon, bottle green.

Cornflower Blue with: White, scarlet, black, silver.

Orange with: Black, dark brown, dark green, lemon, pale grey, navy.

Purple with: Silver, black, primrose, green, dusty pink.

Rust Red with: Bottle green, black, nigger brown, beige, old gold, grey.

Gold with: Black, dark green, navy blue, scarlet, silver, jade.



Miss Winifred Raven, who will take part in the S.P.C. cabaret show at the Peninsula Hotel on April 5.

## Drawing the Hair Line

DRAWING THE HAIR LINE "Hair must not be regimented," this is the wise saying of one of those specialists who can make the waves obey his will. Though this expert in the art of sculpturing the hair can mould the silhouettes of the head this way or that, he strongly feels that the arrangement of the coiffure is an individual matter.

The most important thing is to place the hair according to the features, he believes. Hair is the only adjustable thing about a woman's head—to further elucidate his idea—hence, it should be made to conform to its owner's type.

"But what about adjusting the hair to changing hat lines?" was one among several questions put to him. He replied: "There is not a milliner in New York who will not produce a hat, and a good-looking one, to fit the hair arrangement of her client if it is a becoming one."

## Let Your Face Slip

To get rid of a headache, let your face slip; this is the advice given by Professor G. W. Pickering, of London, during an address given to the British Medical Association's conference at Aberdeen. The professor said that he had made headaches disappear, "by consciously relaxing the facial expression," which is the scientific way. The most usual causes of headache, it was also declared, were not physical disorders, but "hangovers," dislike of other people, unwanted visitors, loud voices, insults, worry, depression, and insomnia.



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To Bring The War By Active Means To Victory

# The Menace Of Red Russia

The surrender of British sea-power, the dismantling of such bases as Gibraltar and Singapore, the return of the former German Colonies to the Reich, and the recognition by the world of Central Europe and the Balkans as a German sphere of influence, are the new peace terms which, according to a semi-official report, have been communicated by Hitler to Mr. Sumner Welles.

In stating these terms Germany has made her real aims clear and the Allies are left in no doubt of the fate intended for them.

In the case of Russia there has been no such frank revelation of purpose. Nevertheless, Britain and France would be wise to bear in mind the warning of Molotov that "Russian-German relations are based on a firm foundation of mutual interests."

THE declared objects of the Allies are to arrest the progress of aggression, to restore freedom to its victims, and to establish guarantees against its recurrence.

It is true that the spokesmen of the Allies, in enunciating these objects, have had German aggression, Germany's victims, and guarantees against Germany, principally in mind. But the aggression of Russia surely cannot be ignored.

Though Finland has succumbed, in part, to the Russian onslaught, public opinion will demand that the Finns, no less than the Czechs, shall be reconstituted.

If Russia is allowed to retain her ill-gotten spoils, what possible guar-

antees could there be for the maintenance of international law and the security of nations?

The more the war aims of the Allies are pondered, the more evident it becomes that they are unreal and unattainable if Russia's actions continue to be disregarded.

IN the case of Poland in particular, the wrong which has been perpetrated can hardly be redressed if Russia, the partner of Germany, is absolved from making restitution.

The problem to be solved by the Allies therefore is whether it is better to settle accounts with Russia now, or to postpone the day of reckoning until such time as Germany may be defeated.

Only an accurate appreciation of the part which Russia is playing in this war can clarify the issue.

In what respects has she helped her partner? She has relieved her of her principal danger upon land. Germany has always envisaged with foreboding the prospect of having to fight on two fronts simultaneously and it was a cardinal principle of French strategy to compel her to do so.

The burden of two fronts involves a division of forces, a constant movement of troops and equipment, congestion on railways, consumption of petrol on roads and the wear and tear of material.

GERMANY, secure against attack from the East, can maintain superior numbers in the West. Russia

has knocked away one of the props on which French strategy was supported.

British strategy also has been hampered. It was always intended that the strain imposed on German economy by the necessity of conducting active operations on two fronts should be aggravated by the pressure of the blockade. She would be forced to expend her resources, but would be unable to replenish them at the required rate.

The Allies have not yet obliged Germany to use up any considerable quantity of material, and if and when they do she will rely on Russia for assistance to offset the effects of the blockade.

WHAT further disadvantages, beyond those which are already so apparent, would an admission that we are in fact at war with Russia, entail?

Stalin, it is true, disposes of an Army even greater in size than that of Germany. Its inefficiency as an

By The Rt. Hon.  
**LESLIE  
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former Secretary of State for War, who this week resigned chairmanship of the Liberal National Party to regain freedom of political action.

offensive weapon has already been shown in Finland, but, in any event, where could it be deployed against the Allies?

It is hardly conceivable that it would be advanced some hundreds of miles through Afghanistan to the Indian Frontier. Such an expedition would encounter natural obstacles throughout its journey, only to meet at the end better trained and better equipped British and Indian troops holding prepared positions.

Any movement towards the Middle East would bring it into conflict with the considerable Allied forces in that area, apart from the resistance interposed by any country through which it endeavoured to pass.

The Russian Air Force is supposed to comprise a Front Line strength of 3,000 planes. The machines and the pilots are, on the whole, second rate.

The Russian Fleet is neither numerous nor modern. It includes, however, about 130 submarines, which, it must be admitted, would be a powerful reinforcement of the German counter-blockade.

IN war, the advantages can never be wholly on one side, but the ability of the Allied Navies to maintain the mastery of the seas is beyond dispute.

In this element, Russia is vulnerable. The blockading of her ports would not only embarrass her commerce, but stop gaps, through which supplies are sent to Germany.

There are other gaps which, if the conflict were to spread, it is in the power of the Allies to close.

There is the trade which passes through the Black Sea—oil for instance. The Montreux Convention lays down that this Sea may be entered by the warships of Member States of the League of Nations in fulfilment of their obligations under the Covenant.

It must be remembered that on December 14th of last year, the League of Nations denounced Russian

aggression and called upon all Member States to furnish material and humanitarian aid to Finland.

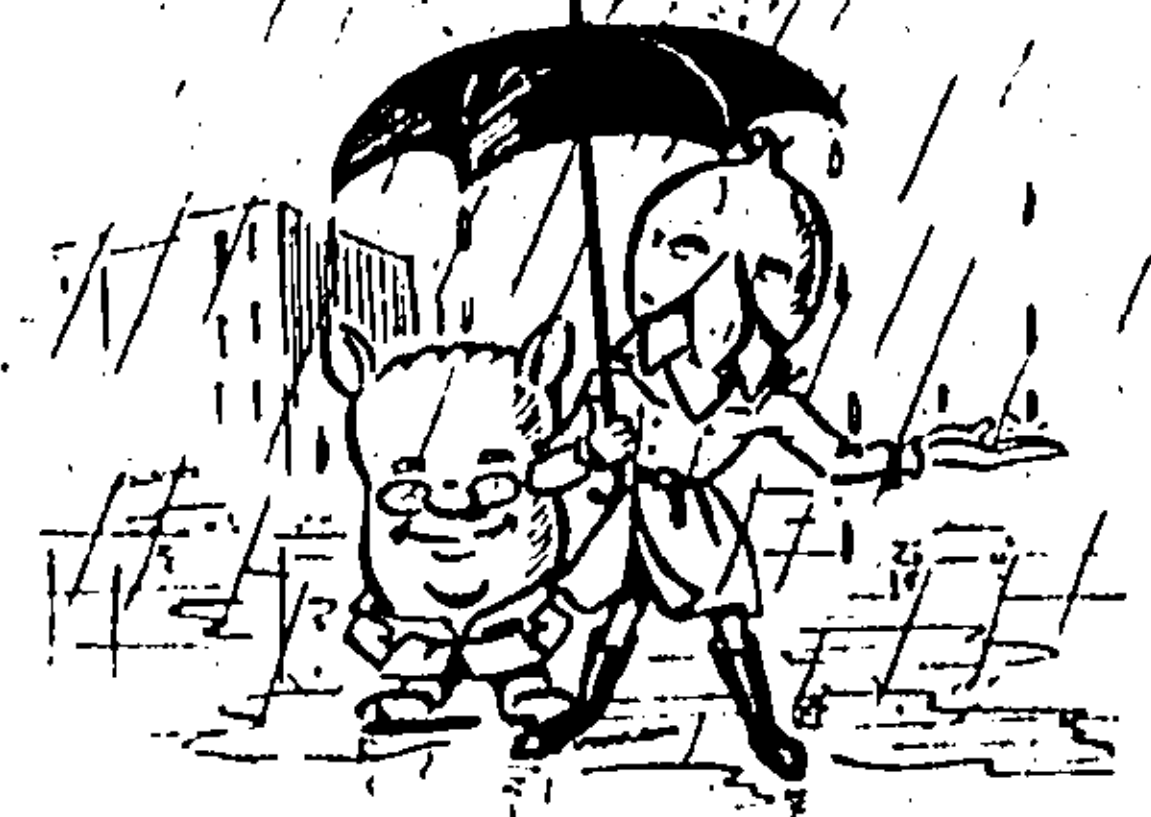
It would be a pity if the disinclination to accept the risks of an open state of war with Russia were to continue to prevent the Allies from taking every possible step, while the time is opportune, to strike back at a country which is a declared and active friend of their enemy, and which is a flagrant violator of the rights of Nations.

Frustration of the Russian designs in Scandinavia is justifiable on moral and on legal grounds. It would, moreover, hasten the defeat of Germany and enable the Allies to achieve their purpose.

France and Britain should remember now the strategy which they devised, after full consideration, in time of peace. They considered then that in the event of war, Germany must be made to expend her material—if possible, on more than one front. Their blockade, by preventing the renewal of the resources which would be poured out, could then operate with decisive results. In the event, the Allies have only one front against Germany, the enemy is not being compelled to use up his stocks, and has still means of importing further supplies.

Great achievements involve great risks. The Allies must not doubt their capacity to bring the war, by active means, to a victorious conclusion. [World Copyright 1940 by "Sunday Herald" and Co-operation. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.]

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In order to understand why this is Hitler's "real confession", read the first, third, fifth and every alternate line, mixing out the second, fourth etc.

## Peru Roused By Nazis

Lima, Yesterday. Much indignation has been aroused in Peru at a German attempt to influence the Peruvian censor, and an outcry occurred in Parliament to-day.

Cause of the trouble was the withdrawal of the British film "The Lion Has Wings" after riots started by the German Legation in Lima, as the Nazi Minister had failed to induce the censor to ban the film.

A resolution was introduced in Parliament that attempts by foreign diplomats to influence the Peruvian censor be not permitted.

The German Minister recently told the Director of Education in Lima that the German College here was subject to the laws of the German nation and not the Peruvian laws. The German envoy's communication was not a request but a command by the Reich. — Reuter.

## TENNIS BALLS THEFT AT K.C.C.

Over a hundred new tennis balls were stolen from the Kowloon Cricket Club during Friday night, according to a report made to the Police by the No. 1 Boy yesterday.

He stated that nine tins of "Spalding" and 12 tins of "Dunlop" tennis balls, valued at \$84, and a basket containing towels, were stolen sometime between 9 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m. yesterday.

## CHINESE RETURN TO NAMTAU

According to messages from Shum-chun, the raiding troops have definitely withdrawn from Namtau and returned to their ships.

The Chinese Magistrate of Namtau has returned to Namtau and Chinese Maritime Customs officials have returned to their posts.

Last night the border was normal.

## WORLD'S LARGEST WAR PLANE

New York, Yesterday. The United States Army revealed to-day that a new 70-ton bomber, of the Boeing "Flying Fortress" type, described as the world's largest plane, is now being built in America, according to reports from Washington.

The plane is said to be capable of flying to Europe and back non-stop at over 200 miles an hour, with a 28-ton load of bombs.

The plane will cost £250,000 to build. — Reuter.

## "FINNING" CYLINDERS

Aeroplane engineers for some time have been forecasting American planes capable of flying to Europe fully loaded with bombs or passengers and returning non-stop if necessary.

This prophecy grew out of technical reports to Congress by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

Two apparently simple changes in wing design, and the "finning" of aeroplane engine cylinders promise to increase vastly the range, speed, loading capacity and efficiency of planes already being designed.

Speeds of 450 to 500 miles an hour are expected from a new streamlined wing which will slice the air with only one-third the "drag"—wind resistance—of present designs.

"Finning" the cylinders will carry away unnecessary heat more quickly.

The fourth annual prize distribution of the Wau Yee College is to be held this morning at the Oriental Theatre.

# DOOM OF NAZI U-BOAT

## Graphic Record Of Naval Adventures In Single Convoy

## SEARCH ALL DAY FOR GROUP OF LOST SHIPS

London, Yesterday. THE DIFFICULTIES experienced by warships of the Royal Navy conveying merchantships are revealed in the log of one of the escorting warships, published in London to-day.

The record starts with the departure of a convoy one Saturday afternoon. On the Sunday, an R.A.F. aircraft signalled the presence of survivors on a raft eight miles away, and one of the escort vessels was sent to pick up the men and rejoin the convoy.

The warship steamed to the spot at top speed, found both survivors were dead and buried them at sea. Nothing happened on Monday but on Tuesday a heavy gale sprang up, visibility being reduced to a mile.

On Wednesday the gale eased but fog came down, visibility being only half a mile.

Early that afternoon two explosions were heard and an escort warship went on a tour of inspection. All vessels in the convoy were found to be safe and it was found that the explosions were depth charges dropped by other British warships in the distance.

WORST DAY OF ALL

The Thursday was perhaps the worst day of all, the convoy having to be escorted into port on a rocky coast in a full gale, with visibility only a quarter of a mile.

The dangerous feat was performed safely but took so long that the warships missed another convoy which they were supposed to meet and which had left port without waiting for an escort.

The warships searched all day and finally late in the afternoon found two of the missing ships, the main body being located later.

At 7.55 on Sunday one of the warship escorts signalled having sighted a suspicious object.

DOOM OF U-BOAT

Another warship dashed to the spot and identified an enemy submarine on the surface about five miles away.

The submarine crash dived and was subjected to a depth charge attack, which forced it to the surface again. Boats were lowered to pick up the survivors.

Next day the convoy reached harbour safely once more. — Reuter.

## 40-YR. POLICE RECORD

A 65-year-old Chinese, whose police record went back to 1900, made another appearance at Kowloon yesterday. He was charged with a breach of the Deportation Ordinance and given 12 months' hard labour.

The Clinical Meeting of the Hong Kong and China Branch of the British Medical Association will be held at 9 p.m. on Wednesday at the Queen Mary Hospital.

## DRIFT BACK TO LONDON

London, Yesterday.

The drift back to London of firms who, at the outbreak of war, evacuated all or part of their staffs to the country continues steadily.

In the past month more than 50 businesses have returned, according to G.P.O. statistics. These records show that out of 3,453 firms that went away over 700 are now back at their headquarters.

Among the latest concerns to "de-vacuate" themselves are S. Instone and Co., shipowners, of Leadenhall-street; Amalgamated Roadstone Corporation, Buckingham Palace-road; E.C.C. Robt. Brooks and Co., merchants, of Adelaide House, London Bridge; Cutler, Palmer and Co., wine shippers, the Minories; and the Drapers Chamber of Trade.

It is generally admitted that the difficulties of carrying on business out of London were found to be so disadvantageous that a return was felt to be necessary. For export businesses the drive to increase sales abroad is also a potent reason for getting back to headquarters. — Our Own Correspondent.

## H.K. FINANCE CONTROL

Revised Defence (Finance) Regulations were published in the "Gazette" yesterday.

The regulations cover restrictions of the purchase, sale and loans of foreign currency and gold, restriction on the export of currency, gold and securities, the acquisition by Government of gold coin and bullion, restrictions on British subjects whereby they may not create a charge of securities owned by them, empower the Governor to transfer securities to the Commissioners of the Treasury at a price not less than the market value at the London official rate of exchange, and empowers the Governor to acquire foreign currencies held by British subjects.

Compulsory transfers are exempted from stamp duty.

## A DYNAMIC LEADER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. WRITING IN THE "EVENING POST AND MERCURY" FROM CHUNGKING, RANDALL GOULD DESCRIBES A PERSONAL CALL ON GENERAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

He said the Generalissimo was never in better physical and mental trim than at present.

He is buoyant, dynamic and more optimistic than ever.

The Generalissimo inquired with the greatest interest about the Shanghai newspaper situation, says Mr. Gould. — Havas.

## NAZI ALLEGATIONS REFUTED

Melbourne, Yesterday. It is officially stated that neither the military nor the Department of Information have received information suggesting there is even a basis of truth for the German radio allegation of friction between Australians and Arabs resulting in the death of three Arabs.

This is authoritatively regarded as an example of lying Nazi propaganda. — Reuter.

## POLISH DECORATIONS

Paris, Yesterday. General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, has decorated a number of British and French officers for valour. — Reuter.



BRITAIN FREES ITALY'S COAL SHIP. Britain decided on March 10 to release from Control the thirteen Italian ships laden with German coal which were stopped by the Navy on the way to Italy. This picture just released for publication, shows one of the vessels in the Downs Contraband Control Base. (Copyright, By Air Mail.)

## NEW FAST FRENCH FIGHTER

Paris, Yesterday. France has produced a new fast fighting plane which has proved itself superior to the German Messerschmidt in several combats.

The machine is now being mass produced and already there is a steady flow of this type to the French air force in the forward lines. — Reuter.

## SHARP FINE FOLLOWS POLICE RAID

Two men, convicted as keepers of one of the biggest gambling houses in the Colony, were fined \$500 each by Mr. R. Edwards yesterday.

Accused were Chan Ping-wing, 28, broker, Ling Ching-chung, 42, Chinese doctor, and Ho Fu 40, office boy. Ho Fu was fined \$100.

Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the defence.

Ten charged with gambling in the house were fined \$10 each.

The party were playing dice at No. 8, Queen's Road Central on March 16 when police raided the building.

Inspector A. L. Hopkins prosecuted.

## PLAY BY 'Y' A.J.C.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote have promised to attend Friday's performance of "House-masters", the sparkling comedy of youth by Ian Hay which is being presented by the A.D.C. of the European Y.M.C.A. on March 28, 29, and 30.

Several newcomers to the local stage will make their bow.

The title role is to be played by Leonard Starbuck and the supporting cast includes Dora Lancaster, Olive Starbuck and William Robertson all of whom have contributed to the success of past productions of the European "Y."

The proceeds are to be given to the British War Organisation Fund.

## SEQUEL TO DRUG CASE CONVICTION

Following conviction of Shigemitsu Muramoto, of 89, Hennessy Road, for an offence under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, notice is published in the "Gazette" withdrawing, as from March 20, the authority granted to keep open a shop for the retailing of poisons, or to carry on at the shop the business of retailing, dispensing or compounding any of the drugs to which the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance applies.

## KING AND QUEEN AT WINDSOR

London, Yesterday. The King and Queen are spending the Easter holidays at Windsor. They left London on Thursday night. — Reuter.

## WORLD DRUG STORE ROBBERY

A large quantity of "Tiger Balm" ointment, valued at \$300, was stolen from the World Drug Store, No. 317 Nathan Road, between 1.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. yesterday according to a report made to the Police.

## Labour Groups In Easter Conferences

London, Yesterday. A NUMBER OF ORGANISATIONS are holding their Easter Conferences, which are mostly concerned with the war.

At Nottingham, the Independent Labour Party is discussing Russia. The president, Mr. C. S. Smith, spoke of the perfidy and mendacity of Russia's attack on Finland.

He added that the British Communist party was devoid of ethical principles.

The National Union of Clerks, meeting at Leeds, to-day passed a resolution refusing to enter into educational relations with Marx House in London.

The resolution said there was no room in the Labour movement for education which spread deliberate lies.

CO-OPERATIVES' ATTITUDE

The Co-operative Movement, at its meeting in London, discussed the Society's peace aims.

Members considered there was a possibility of a lasting peace with a German government which was prepared to free the Austrians, Czechs and Poles and to give adequate guarantees, by deeds not words, that force would not again be used for aggression.

One speaker said the Germans had destroyed the Co-operative movement in Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

He added: "If we are faced with the destruction of our own interests, there is not a man among us who is not ready to fight." — Reuter.

## LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. DECLARING THAT "AN EYE FOR AN EYE, A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH" POLICY WILL BE ADOPTED BY WANG CHING-WEI'S "PUPPET" REGIME, LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SEISHIRO ITAGAKI, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE JAPANESE EXPEDITIONARY FORCES TO CHINA, STATED TO-DAY, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM NANKING, THAT THE NEW REGIME WILL NOT RECOGNISE THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF THE POWERS WHO DO NOT RECOGNISE THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.

Gen. Itagaki is further quoted as having said that he had also been given to understand that the foreign policy of the new government will be "moderate" and that it will respect the "lawfully acquired rights and interests of Third Powers in China."

The statements were made in the course of a press interview with foreign correspondents in Nanking, where Wang Ching-wei, expelled Kuomintang leader, is making preparations for the establishment of his so-called "Central National Government of China." — Our Own Correspondent.

## JAPANESE FALLING BACK IN KWANGSI

Pinyang, Yesterday. Latest military advices state that the Japanese to the northeast of Pinyang, about 80 miles northeast of Yanchow, are falling back.

One column fled in disorder to the Nanking-Yanchow highway.

Namchung, Pinyang, Pingshan, Kowchow and Lokmen are all clear of Japanese troops. — Central News.

## EXPERT IN ARABIC

London, Yesterday. The death has occurred of David Samuel Margoliouth, unrivalled authority on Arabic literature. — Reuter.

## SECRET METHODS OF NAZI ESPIONAGE

The extraordinary rapidity with which the Polish campaign was conducted in September 1939 came as a surprise to the whole world.

Even the military superiority of Germany did not explain such an overwhelming victory. In order to cope with the heroic defence of the Poles, not only the methods of so-called total war were necessary, but also certain unknown factors within the country itself.

These factors are described for the first time in a series of articles from the pen of Mr. Konrad Wrzes, the well-known Polish journalist, based upon authentic and hitherto unpublished documents.

Therein he shows how, ever since the inception of the friendship between Germany and Poland and within the framework of the Non-Aggression Pact signed in 1934 at Berlin, the subterranean intrigues of the Gestapo had been preparing the ground for Hitler's conquest.

The author further describes the schools of espionage set up in Germany, where agents were trained to occupy later the key positions in Poland; the methods of these agents on the spot, both in peace and in war — propaganda, espionage in the strict sense of the word, sabotage, the organisation of local disturbances and insurrections.

These articles, vividly written and revealing almost unbelievable duplicity by Hitler's agents, will appear in the "China Mail" in the coming week.

## MANCHURIA TRADE SUFFERING

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Shanghai, Yesterday. Manchukuo has severely felt the impact of the European war as her trade with Europe has dwindled to a considerable extent, a survey of Dairen business conditions shows.

Returns for January show that by comparison with the previous year exports declined by 10,000,000 gobs.

Main decrease was in soy beans and by-products which were chiefly exported to Germany. The decrease is accounted for not only by the war but also by weather conditions as Dairen harbour was partly frozen during January. — Havas.

## WINE IN CABIN

Fung Chiu-mui, 35, ship's cook, was fined \$500 by Mr. R. Edwards yesterday, for possession of 114 gallons of dutiable wine.

The wine was found in his cabin when Revenue officers searched his ship on Friday.

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A scale model of the new giant SARO flyingboat actually flies and took to the air during a demonstration at Cowes. This model is a high-wing monoplane with four 80 h.p. engines and carries pilot and passenger. It has been built with the object of gaining data regarding the projected flying boat far more valuable than that acquired solely by wind tunnel tests. Photo shows the model flyingboat on the water before taking off. Size can be compared by launch alongside. (Copyright, Fox).

## COUNT CIANO TO MEET MOLOTOV IN BERLIN?

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

ROME, YESTERDAY.

IT IS RUMOURED THAT COUNT CIANO, THE FOREIGN MINISTER, IS TO GO TO BERLIN TO CONTACT M. MOLOTOV, THE SOVIET FOREIGN COMMISSAR.

Official circles refuse to confirm or deny the report. — Havas.

### Press Attacks Ended

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday. Adding high-lights to reports and rumours about the possible peregrinations in the near future of the Soviet, Nazi and Fascist Foreign Ministers, it is noteworthy that for the past month outspoken Soviet press attacks against Italy and Italian press attacks against Russia have ceased. — Havas.

### "Only The Prelude"

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Brussels, Yesterday. The Berlin correspondent of the Belgia news agency reports that it is currently said in Germany that the "Brenner Pass meeting was only a prelude to new diplomatic demonstrations." — Havas.

### Count Teleki's Trip

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday.

Count Teleki, Hungarian Premier, is expected to arrive here this morning with his wife and daughter.

Signor Gayda, who generally reflects Il Duce's views, writes in "Giornale d'Italia" that although the Count's visit is a private one, he will most certainly see Il Duce and Count Ciano.

Their talks, Signor Gayda continues, will not involve any changes in Hungaro-Italian relations, which were discussed in January last; nothing of importance has since occurred to affect those relations.

Hungaro-Italian friendship, he continues, is directed against no one. Hungary's policy is close to Italy's both in respect to Balkan matters and to wider issues. — Havas.

# REYNAUD CABINET DECIDES TO STAY IN OFFICE

## BIG TROOP MOVEMENTS IN NEAR EAST

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday. Big troop movements in the Eastern Mediterranean are mentioned in reports received here.

A landing at Anjak is taking place under the protection of a naval escort, while 'planes, guns, and other war materials are being assembled at Haifa. Supplies are arriving at Port Said in great quantities. — Havas.

## DR. FUNK TO RESIGN?

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf" reports that Dr. Walther Funk, Nazi Minister of Economic Affairs, will soon resign for "reasons of health."

These "reasons of health" may have some connection with his reported disagreement with Field-Marshal Goering.

For several weeks now, he has not taken part in any official Government demonstrations, nor was he even present at the Leipzig Fair, which surely comes within his sphere of duties. — Havas.

## FRANCO-JAPANESE TREATY EXTENDED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.

An arrangement has been reached between France and Japan to prolong the trade agreement, which expired on March 15, to April 15. During this period, conversations will be held in connection with a renewal of the agreement. — Havas.

## PARIS, YESTERDAY. ALTHOUGH HOTLY CRITICISED BY THE RADICAL SOCIALISTS AND THE PARTIES OF THE RIGHT, M. REYNAUD'S GOVERNMENT WILL STAY IN OFFICE.

During M. Reynaud's speech in the Chamber yesterday, his stressing of the fact that France was engaged in a "total war" and his reference to the treason of Russia were loudly cheered, but otherwise the speech was quietly received.

Although the Cabinet has six Radical-Socialists in it, two Radical-Socialist speakers criticised it, while the extreme Right spokesmen and others of a similar Rightist hue went even further and said they would not support the Government.

M. Reynaud defended the conduct of the war so far and decried that it had been paid for by inflationary methods. The Government wanted total war only as a means of obtaining peace again.

### TO CARRY ON

M. Blum, the Socialist leader, said that the Socialists had decided to join the Government without negotiation with M. Reynaud because they wanted to lend the country all support for obtaining a lasting and just peace in the least possible time. Immediately following the debate and the vote of confidence, which passed with a majority of 112, with 110 Deputies abstaining, the Cabinet held a meeting, at which, it is understood, M. Reynaud's Government decided to stay in office. — Reuter.

## British Cabinet Changes Predicted

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.

Both in London and the Low Countries, the shift in the French Cabinet is seen as an omen of changes in the British Cabinet. It is felt that the British Cabinet, too, may have a similar small Cabinet within the framework of the larger one. — Havas.

## Italian Comment

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday.

The Italian press gives due prominence to the life and achievements of M. Paul Reynaud, but expresses surprise at the number of Socialists in the Cabinet and says that this will disappoint some groups in France.

The Italian papers also wonder whether a Cabinet representing so many shades of opinion will be able to function as speedily and efficiently as its friends expect. — Havas.

## Fallacy Of An Idea

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday.

The "New York Times" says: "The efficient solution of the crisis showed the fallacy of the idea that France was turning Fascist. M. Reynaud is the inexorable enemy of Fascism while his capacity as financier is known the world over."

"He has not left the slightest doubt of his conviction that a new Europe can only be built upon the full victory of the Democracies." — Havas.

## Supreme Authority

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday.

M. Reynaud's personality is eulogised in all quarters as he has always been very popular in Britain. Much satisfaction is also expressed that M. Daladier retains the National Defence Ministry.

Most commentators stress that the French Parliament still remains the supreme authority.

Much significance is attributed to the fact that the Socialists are participating in the Government. — Havas.

## Carrying On

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Yesterday.

Less than 24 hours after its formation, M. Paul Reynaud's Cabinet faced the Chamber of Deputies which passed a vote of confidence in it by 288 votes to 156, with 110 abstentions.

The vote followed a debate during which several Rightists criticised the participation of Socialists in the Government.

Despite the reserved character of the Chamber's vote the Cabinet has decided to stay, the Premier's office announced.

Before facing the Chamber the Ministers met in Cabinet Council at the Elysee Palace, with President Lebrun in the chair. The Ministerial declaration was read by M. Reynaud and unanimously approved.

The declaration was later read by M. Reynaud in the Chamber and by the Vice-Premier, M. Chautemps, in the Senate. — Havas.

## NEW GOVERNMENT IN FINLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Helsinki, Yesterday.

The new Finnish Government is not expected to be completed until after the Easter holidays. — Havas.

## BRITONS ATTACKED BY GANG

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Peiping, Yesterday.

The British Embassy has protested to the Japanese Embassy against the ill-treatment on Tuesday of three Britons.

The Britons—Mr. Robey, Vice-Consul at Peiping;

Dr. Struthers and the Rev. King, of the United Church of Canada Mission

were travelling to Changteh, north of Kaileng, in Honan, to inspect damage to mission property.

Mr. Robey and Mr. King were struck with sticks but not seriously injured by 30 demonstrators whom the Japanese later dispersed.

Reliable sources state the demonstration appears to have been an organised affair. The Japanese Embassy has promised to investigate. — Havas.

A Japanese military pass had been obtained through the Japanese Embassy in Peiping for the party, which consisted of Mr. D. J. Robey, Dr. E. B. Struthers, of Galt, Ontario, and the Rev. G. W. King, of New Brunswick, to visit Changteh where mission property had been burned and pillaged.

The party is stated to have arrived at Changteh on Tuesday. Arrangements were made for them to stay in a Japanese hotel. Conditions in the city were said to be quite normal, there being no sign of anti-British feeling.

"WHERE ARE THE ENGLISH?" While dining, the party heard a commotion outside and cries of "Down with Britain," "Where are the English?"

A crowd of Chinese, numbering about 30, who apparently were taking part in an organised demonstration, then burst into the hotel, proceeding to smash up one partition of the room in which the British party was dining.

The mob then crowded into the room, and two of the Chinese, one armed with a bamboo pole and the other with a pole with a knife at the end, advanced on the Britons.

A WAR DANCE! They did a war dance in front of them and finally struck Mr. Robey and Mr. King, who were, however, not seriously hurt.

It is understood the British Embassy here has lodged a protest with the Japanese Embassy against the lack of protection offered British nationals, and has asked that the culprits be punished. — Reuter.

## U.S. AID TO CHINESE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY.

DIRECT HELP TO CHINESE CIVILIANS RENDERED HOMELESS AND DESTITUTE BY THE WAR MAY BE GIVEN BY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS FOLLOWING A DEMARCHE MADE RECENTLY BY AMERICAN SOCIETIES FOR THE HELP OF CHINESE CIVILIANS.

The society, which ran out of funds, telegraphed to the U.S. Consul-General at Shanghai requesting him to inform the U.S. Government of the plight of the Chinese population.

A report was forwarded to the Secretary of State who discussed the problem with President Roosevelt. — Havas.

## AMERICAN AMBULANCE VOLUNTEERS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday.

Forty American volunteers, all ambulance drivers, are sailing for France to-day. Others are due to follow shortly. — Havas.

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## ANNUAL DINNER OF PORTUGUESE CO. H.K.V.D.C. PARTY AT CLUB LUSITANO

Brigadier J. W. T. Reeve, Col. H. B. Rose, the A.D.C. to the Governor of Macao (Lieut. J. S. Miranda) and many officers of the H.K.V.D.C. were present last night at the annual dinner and dance of the Portuguese Company of the Corps.

Both dinner and dance were held at Lusitano Club, the dinner starting shortly after 7.30 p.m.

Dinner over, dancing started at about 10 p.m., lasting until a late hour.

Prizes were awarded to the spot dancers, the music being provided by the Band of the Middlesex Regiment.

### O.C.'S SPEECH

In a brief speech following the toast of the King and the President of Portugal, Major Jarvis, O.C. of the Portuguese Company, said:

There is no need for me to remind you of the peculiar circumstances in which we find ourselves this year except to say that the stimulus provided by the need for bringing the Colony's defences to the highest pitch of efficiency has brought about something that old Volunteers have been crying out for for years.

I mean the 7-day camps which have provided in means of discovering weaknesses in our organization and training, opportunities for tightening up discipline and that general shaking down together which means so much in improving esprit-de-corps and the cohesion necessary to every unit.

Similarly, the situation brought about a steady increase in recruiting. I am proud to say that although the Portuguese lads of this Colony were not immediately affected by the Compulsory Service Ordinance we were very quickly obliged to close down on recruiting in order to avoid congestion of all branches of our organization. No. 5 M.G. Company consists of four officers and 107 other ranks, No. 6 A.A. Company of three officers and 135 other ranks—a total with Headquarters of eight officers and 242 other ranks, as compared with last year's figure of eight officers and 182 other ranks.

### VALUE OF CAMPS

I have already referred to the longer camps—there is no doubt as to the value of them. The No. 5 Company had the advantage of the well established camp at Fanling and the interest in the new work on the parade ground was enhanced by the scope afforded by M.G. training in the field. It was indeed a sight to see men lugging tripods and guns across open country in an endeavour to mount gun in the lowest position without being seen.

Li D'Almeida at the first camp became a casualty, when in his athletic manner he took a hedge in his stride without sufficient reconnaissance. On another occasion a young and diminutive recruit whilst fording a stream with a tripod on his back tripped over and was completely submerged. Without any fussing about his wet condition he picked himself and tripod up and went into action at the double. This little incident is a distinct indication of the spirit which is becoming the rule.

### A.A. ACTIVITIES

The Anti-Aircraft Company camps were carried out separately for the first time and can only be regarded as experimental. It would seem that many factors conspired to create difficulty. It was something like the old Army saying in the last war—if only we had some eggs we could have some ham and eggs if we had some ham. If it hadn't been for the weather and if more drogues had been available to shoot at and the tracer had been worthy of its name, no doubt valuable experience in A.A. shooting would have been possible.

However, we can claim that every member of the unit has fired at a drogue and a good deal of ground work has been done, while at the same time much experience of interior economy and camp organization has been gained.

This is an occasion on which Committee Members of the Club Lusitano sit down as guests in their own house and I want to ask Messrs. J. F. V. Ribeiro and F. G. M. da Costa to convey to their Chairman and Members our sincere thanks for all their help and particularly for the way in which they throw open all their resources to make our annual dinner and dance a successful link between the Corps and the Portuguese Community.

### NEAR FUTURE

Finally—I want to congratulate Capt. Sequiera and Capt. Botelho, Warrant Officers, N.C.O.s and men of the Portuguese Companies on the achievements of the past year and to impress on all ranks the need, in the peculiar circumstances in which we find ourselves, to maintain a steady application to training. We may be called upon to take part in the near future, which calls for

# GOVT.'S NEW AGREEMENT WITH THE TELEPHONE COMPANY To Share All Profits In Excess Of 12 Per Cent. Per Annum

## Concession Revised On New Terms: No Limit On Rate Of Dividend

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE TERMS OF THE CONCESSION GRANTED TO THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY HAVE BEEN AGREED BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND THE DIRECTORS, AND ARE EMBODIED IN AN AMENDING ORDINANCE SOON TO BE INTRODUCED AS A GOVERNMENT MEASURE IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Instead of limiting the Company's dividend to 12 per cent. plus half the profits up to a further 6 per cent. the other half going to reduce subscription rates, no limit is placed on the amount of dividend, except that Government will take as additional royalty half of all profits in excess of 12 per cent. per annum. Government will also be given 500 free lines by the Telephone Company. Hitherto Government has paid for all lines.

Under the previous arrangement half the Company's profits between 12 per cent. and 18 per cent. and all profits above 18 per cent. were required to be devoted to reducing the rates payable by subscribers.

There is now no provision for reduction of rates to subscribers.

### DIRECTORS' ARGUMENT

The official statement on the Bill says that the Company's directors have argued, in discussions with the Government's Financial Advisers during recent months, that the absolute limit of a 15 per cent. dividend is inequitable because the high rate of profits which the Company has been able to earn has been due largely to its efficiency and partly to the profits on the line to Canton which was not in existence when the original arrangement was made.

A reasonable objection to an absolute maximum is that it gives the company no incentive to earn profits by greater efficiency and economy after that maximum is reached.

### REASONABLE ALLOWANCE

Moreover, the existing subscription rates are regarded as reasonably low and further contribution to the public revenue by way of royalty and contribution of certain free lines for Government purposes has been considered a reasonable basis for settlement in existing circumstances.

The Bill reduces the amount which can be placed to capital reserve from \$170,482 per annum to \$22,577 per annum.

Following is the draft of the more important amendments to the original Ordinance.

Section 7 of the Telephone Ordinance, 1925, is repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:

7. The Company shall pay to the Accountant-General, as a Royalty for the concession, on the 1st day of March in every year during the remainder of the term of the concession commencing the 1st day of March, 1940, the sum of \$4 in respect of each direct exchange line telephone which has been used and paid for during the whole preceding financial year of the Company by a subscriber. In cases where direct exchange line telephones have been used and paid for by subscribers for less than twelve months the amount of Royalty to be paid by the Company shall be \$1 for each direct exchange line telephone for each period of three months or less.

### NET ANNUAL PROFITS

Section 35 now reads:—

35.—(1) For the purposes of section 36, the net annual profits of the Company in respect of any financial year commencing with the year 1939 shall be the gross takings of the Company, excluding the interest and dividends referred to in section 36, in respect of trunk line services, less the moneys appropriated for the following purposes, namely:—

(i) interest on moneys borrowed by the Company including interest on Debentures;

(ii) the sums payable yearly to the Accountant-General in accordance with section 7;

(iii) working costs;

(iv) reasonable management expenses;

(v) superannuation and provident funds;

(vi) maintenance and removal of works, apparatus and other property of the Company;

(vii) depreciation of buildings, plant and other property of the Company, including investments and other assets of whatever nature with the exception of investments made on account of the Capital Reserve Fund;

(viii) the appropriation of authorized sums to Reserve.

(2)—(a) The amount to be written off or provided annually for depreciation shall be—

(i) in the case of land and buildings, a sum or sums to be fixed by an architect approved by the Director and the Company;

(ii) in the case of plant and equipment other than buildings, a sum not exceeding ten per cent. of the cost of such plant and equipment;

(iii) in the case of investments, a sum not exceeding the amount by which the book value of the investments exceeds their current market value at the date of making up the accounts.

### CAPITAL RESERVE

(b) In the event of investments, other than investments held on account of the Capital Reserve Fund, being sold or otherwise disposed of for a sum, whether received in cash or otherwise, in excess of the current book value of such investments,

of the Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong (Chairman), Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. F. H. Tyson and Mr. B. Wylie.

## YESTERDAY'S RAINFALL

Continuous rain yesterday resulted in almost an inch and a half of rainfall being recorded between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m., according to the Royal Observatory.

Most of the rain fell between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. when over half an inch was registered.

Total rainfall for the 24 hours ended at 10 p.m. last night was 1.690 inches, 1.330 inches being registered during the last 12 hours.

The weather forecast for today is east and north-east winds; fresh; squally; cloudy; and rainy.

Total rainfall since the beginning of the year is 8.08 inches, almost four inches above the average.

## COLONY'S WAR ON T.B.

A community effort to wipe out the tuberculosis scourge which claims an average of some 4,000 victims every year, is seen in the formation in the Colony, of an Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Composed of leading physicians and prominent Chinese and European leaders the Association's Executive Committee will hold its first business meeting at 5 p.m. on Wednesday at the Hong Kong Medical Headquarters, Post Office Building.

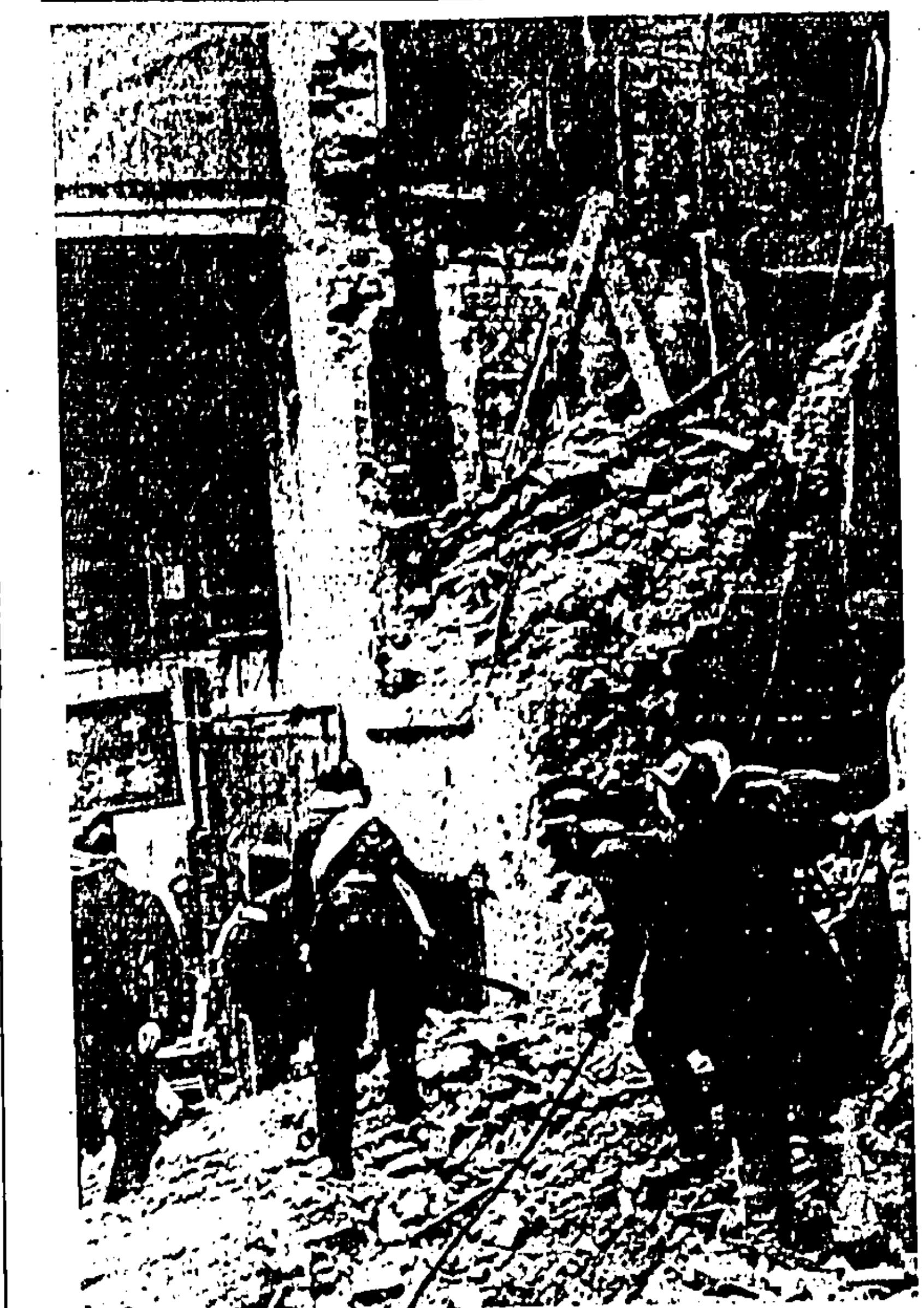
Patron of the Association is His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and the President is the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, who has been chiefly responsible for the "birth" of the Association.

Vice-Presidents are the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, the Hon. Sir Robert H. Kotowall, Sir Shouson Chow, Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. Ho Kom-long.

Honorary Secretaries are the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Dr. N. C. MacLeod, and Dr. T. P. Wu while the Honorary Treasurers are Messrs. D. Benson and Mr. T. N. Chau. Messrs. A. Pollard and J. M. Tan are Hon. Auditors.

The 10 members of the Executive Committee are the Hon. Mr. K. Lo (Chairman), Mr. C. H. Solis (Vice-chairman), Mr. M. F. Key, Mr. W. Yinson Lee, the Hon. Mr. Li Shu-yan, Mrs. Li Shu-pui, Miss Ruby Mow, Fung, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Dr. F. I. Tsung and Mr. B. Wylie.

The Finance Committee consists of



Three were injured yesterday, presumably as the result of the rains, when the rear of a house in Lyndhurst Terrace collapsed. One man was not rescued from the debris for an hour and a half. This photograph shows firemen digging in the wreckage.

## Building Collapse Drama

The rear of a three-storied building, No. 42, Lyndhurst Terrace, said to be 30 years old, crumbled and collapsed at 9.45 a.m. yesterday.

All buried by falling debris were rescued, the last to be freed being a man, Wong Chung-po, principal tenant of the first floor who was dug out an hour and a half after "burial" and was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.

"I was preparing my morning meal inside the kitchen on the first floor when I heard a loud cracking sound and felt the plaster fall on my head," stated a woman, Li Mui, one of several who escaped being buried.

"I immediately stepped out of the kitchen and was just in time," she added, "for the whole kitchen then sank and went crashing below."

"The principal tenant, who was washing clothes disappeared with the kitchen."

Adjoining buildings were ordered to be evacuated.

### SNATCHER SENTENCED

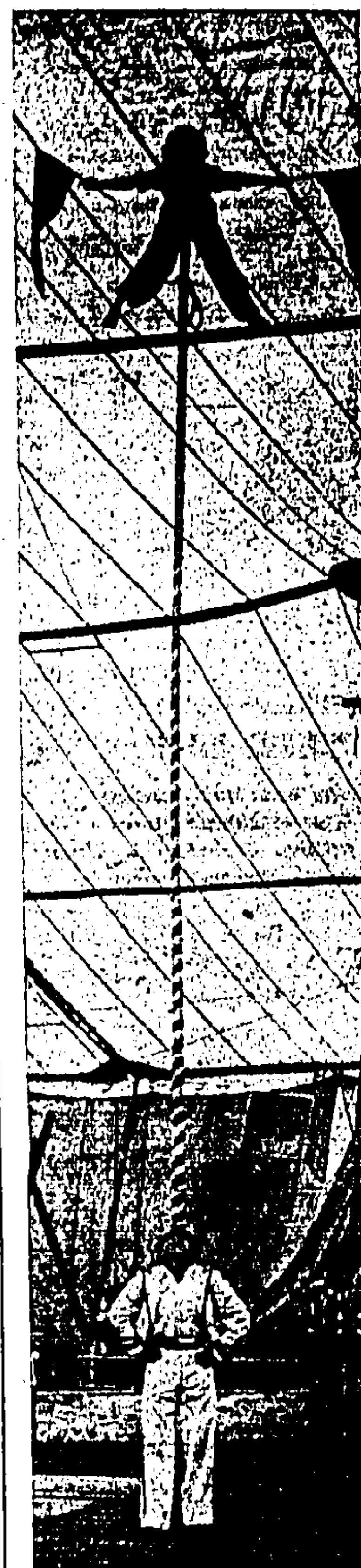
Mr. R. Edwards yesterday sentenced Chan Hol, 21, to nine months' hard labour and 12 strokes, for snatching a wristwatch from a Chinese woman in Queen's Road Central on Friday.

Defendant was also ordered to be placed under Police supervision for two years.

speedy preparation or we may be kept on tenterhooks for a long period, which will call for even greater qualities of patience and steady application.

This Corps has necessarily little to offer by way of tradition as it is known by Regiments of the Army—we must form our own—the example of to-day is the tradition of to-morrow and I venture to say that most people are more impressed by immediate example than by past history. Lord Baldwin said some years ago, at an Empire Rally of Youth—your country is committed to you whether you realise or desire it or not—the whole is the sum of its parts and as you are a part you are bound to have some influence—good or bad.

So here, in your job in the defence of this Colony it is just the same and I would ask all ranks to make the utmost use of the opportunities afforded. Sentiment must not be allowed to stand in the way of efficiency—each Officer and N.C.O. must be prepared to do his part—to ensure 100% fitness for his job or be prepared to stand aside and each man must see his part as a link in the chain.



One of the notable acts forming part of a performance given by the Chinese Sports Circus in aid of the Chungshan Refugee Fund. The show continues to-day and to-morrow, at Causeway Bay near Leo Garden.

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## TAXES AND COSTS

TO THE EDITOR,  
"THE SUNDAY HERALD."

Sir,—At the risk of being called a Communist, an honour which I promptly decline, may I be permitted to make one or two brief comments on the report of the Hong Kong Electric Company which, presented as it was at the annual meeting just prior to the Easter Holidays, has perhaps not drawn the attention it deserves?

I trust Government will take note of the chairman's remark that higher costs and "the possibilities of increased taxation" may mean that rates will be increased. I suggest that this comment on taxation is contrary to the spirit of proposed Legislation, and that a company which, self-admittedly, is doing so well has no right to maintain its enormous profits at the cost of the consumer.

Furthermore, with regard to higher costs, this war is being fought as much in the interests of directors and shareholders as of consumers.

WILLZ.

## NORWEGIAN LADY PASSES

The death occurred at the Canossian Institute Hospital yesterday morning, at the age of 49, of Mrs. Dikka Owrurn-Andersen, of No. 21, Humphrey's Buildings.

Wife of Mr. B. Owrurn-Andersen, manager of Thorsen and Company, Mrs. Andersen was well-known and popular among the Norwegian community.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, following a service at the Colonial Cemetery Chapel at 4 p.m.

It is understood that the application for a ferry service between Chungshan and the Island is likely to be granted. Possibilities of the construction of a wharf at the end of Mei Nam Street are being explored.

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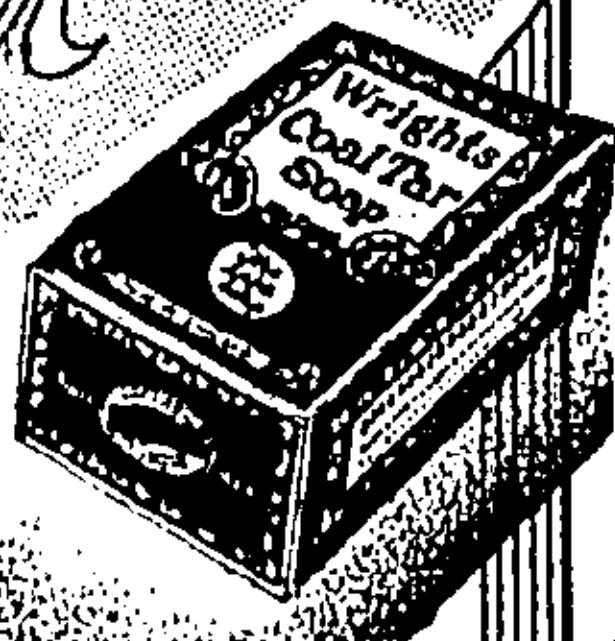
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## Solange Renie

SITTING down at her graceful French harp, Solange Renie drew therefrom a few lovely, lingering arpeggios, the black cocker spaniel curled up at her feet rolling his eyes appreciatively. She was demonstrating not so much her own considerable skill at this little-known instrument, as the thrilling tonal qualities of the harp itself. For her purpose in life, Mme. Sigouret, wife of an attaché of the French Consular Service, is to widen the circles of people who know and love the music the harp can create.

FIVE years were devoted to perfecting her knowledge of the instrument, in her native Paris where she was raised and educated, these years being backed up by a study of piano and music theory, and a course at the Conservatoire de Paris for a thorough grounding in harmony. Having heard so

Erard in the late eighties. She demonstrates the variety and depth of timbre provided by skillful use of the three pedals, and points to the modern strings, alternating between those made of catgut and steel.

TALK then turns from the mechanics and material make-up of the harp, to types of music suited to its tonal calibre. In there a great deal of music written for harp, we ask. Miss Renie replies that many composers seem to share the common habit of overlooking that instrument. While the orchestration contains passages for harp, comparatively few have written specifically for it, although of late more such compositions are being produced. Debussy contributed

night was said, the final greeting exchanged, and M. and Mme. Sigouret left for their hotel. You will recall that the Japanese were at that time already in occupation of Peking, and in that period, had imposed a general curfew. Imagine the sensations of the couple when they found it impossible to gain admittance to their rooms, the hotel having been closed for the night! And curfew meant that they could not secure rooms at another hotel, a thorough-going curfew being imposed upon all inns and visitors alike, without partiality to artists or others. The only course open, were they to get any sleep that night, was to return to Yenting, and there, after rousing the sleepy porter and their sleepy but good-humoured friends, they passed the night.

MEETING and talking to this couple, one feels a rather unusual degree of companionship existing between the two, a more than ordinary interest in each other's work and career. And Miss Renie comments, yes, she has been granted many blessings, one of them being the fact that her husband, far from objecting to her pursuit of a career, lends constant encouragement and assistance. Thus her marriage has given her the opportunity to introduce appreciation of the harp to his section of the world, widening her field which was previously limited to recitals and teaching in Paris and Europe. Among others doing this missionary work in her chosen sphere she mentions that implish member of the extraordinary Marx Brothers, he of the tangled golden curls whose performances have done so much to popularize the instrument whose name he adopted, Harpo. A good friend of Henrietta Renie, he visits with her each time he comes to Paris.

AT this point, Miss Renie's pet spaniel, politely wagging his tail, requests some notice being taken of his existence. And the artist remarks that he, too, has accompanied her on all her travels since a four-month-old puppy, he joined the family four years ago. He went with her, when she visited with her aunt in Paris last year, and returning to the East on the same ship that had carried them to France, Patou (literally translating into "Heavy Paws") and the ship's captain exchanged the greetings of old friends!

HERE at the Peninsula Hotel, Miss Renie is rehearsing for her March 28 concert, to be given in the Rose Room, the performance to benefit the Foreign Auxiliary of the National Red Cross Society of China, and through them the International Peace Hospital. Miss Renie remarks that the quiet and spaciousness of the Peninsula make it an ideal place to live and practice; for the harp is an exacting instrument, and the maintaining of one's skill calls for constant application.

## Wang Hsi-Chun An Shu-Yuan

WE stopped in at the Lee Theatre for a visit with the famous players, Miss Wang Hsi-chun and Mr. An Shu-yuan, reputed among the most popular of China's actors. In Hong Kong on a visit from Shanghai, they are filling a four-week engagement. Waiting for a quiet interval to have a talk with Miss Wang and Mr. An, we dropped into a seat to watch a comic skit called the Food Yung Drum, in which a rich wastrel takes up with a beggar maid and is put in his place by her faithful companion.

AS ever, we were impressed with the consummate artistry of the Chinese theatre. Here, actors are required to create the desired illusion against obstacles that Western actors would consider insuperable. Consider, for example, the fact that the lights are not turned down when the performance starts, but blaze away, glittering upon the golden dragons decorating the ceiling and platform sides. Consider further the absence of standard props, these being limited to a backdrop and perhaps a chain or two, bedecked with embroidered scarf. Consider, too, the orchestra, clad in everyday working clothes, sitting right up at one end of the stage, in full view of the audience, a musician every now and then stopping to sip a cup of tea or have a bite to eat when the orchestra provides a rest for his instrument. And consider the whole theatrical crew and company, crowded into the wings in full view of the audience, carrying on animated conversations among themselves.

MR. An received us most cordially, bowing ceremoniously. At the age of 32, he has been an actor for eighteen years and a star for fourteen. "Scion" of a family whose members have followed the stage profession for many genera-

tions back, his life seems so natural to him that he has never even considered the possibility of any other. To be a star in the Chinese theatre one must be of an almost unbelievable versatility—com-

formed in Peking, in Shanghai, in Mukden, Harbin, Yantai in Shantung Province, Chong-chu, Tientsin, Talyuan, Kaileng—in short, he has covered practically the whole of China, and is ambitious

to travel and perform in other countries.

THEN we had a visit with Miss Wang Hsi-chun. This lovely girl, seeming even younger than her 21 years without her make-up, is able to look back upon eight theatre years, crowded with achievement and accomplishment. Unlike Mr. An, she is the first member of her family to enter "the theatre," although like him, her training for the profession began at an early age. Dancer, singer and dramatic actress, she has also made a number of films, each adding new heights to her popularity. For chaperone, nurse, confidante and counsellor, she relies on her mother, who tra-



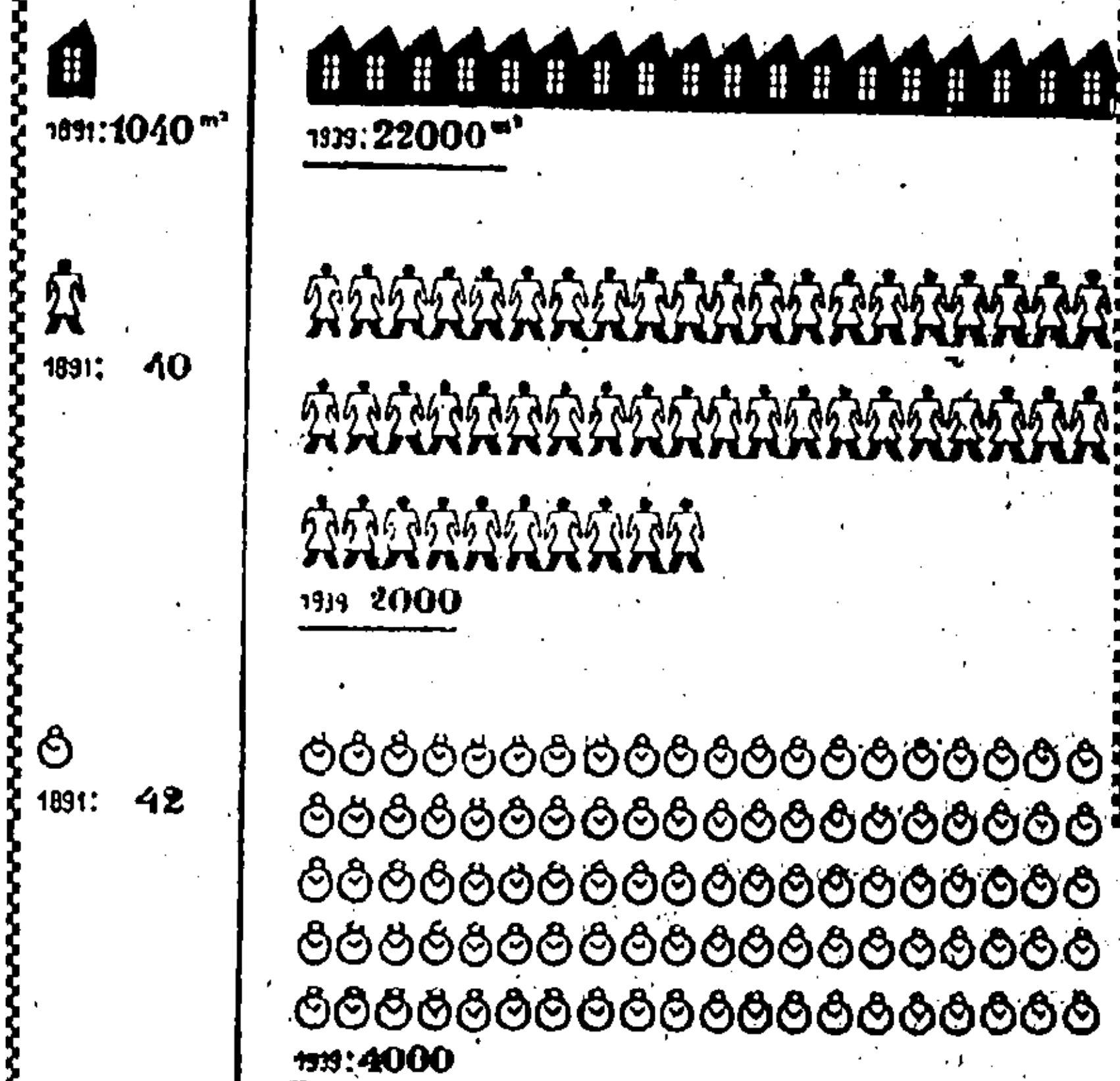
MISS WANG HSI-CHUN.

vels with her. Together they two, like the An family, have visited and performed throughout the length and breadth of China, and, again like the An's, would like nothing better than an opportunity to see the rest of the world. Hollywood? Her eyes glisten at the mention. Would she like to go there, then, perhaps act in an American movie? Would she she replies, just give her the chance.

AND tell us, Miss Wang, we asked, are you much troubled by over-eager admirers, as complained of by so many Western actresses of note? No, she laughs, that is not the custom in the East, perhaps we are too busy and work too hard. As for marriage, she shakes her head and repeats, she is much too busy building her career and devoting her energies to the exactions of her profession to even consider taking a step which, she says, is such a serious one and requires such serious thought.

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WHILE thus far concert harpists seem to be limited to the French, the Americans and the Italians, Miss Renie is further cheered by the fact that the harp is slowly winning a place for itself in many modern symphony orchestras, and even in those bands devoted to dance and popular music. Which calls to mind Miss Renie's experience in Shanghai, where three years ago she played for the first time with the Municipal Orchestra of that city, under the baton of Maestro M. Pacl. The response of the music lovers of Shanghai was so warm and spontaneous, that a standing agreement was arrived at under the terms of which Miss Renie sends word in advance whenever planning a trip to that metropolis, and each time presents another recital.

SPONSORED by the Peking Association of University Women, she has given many recitals in the beautiful P.U.M.C. Auditorium. Concerts given at Yenting University, near Peking, also are pleasant in her memory. And here she pauses to smile over a minor and comic mishap experienced at Yenting. That evening the audience had demanded so many encores, and after the concert had continued so many and such pleasant congratulations, that it was hard for the couple to tear themselves away. At last, however, the final good



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# The German Dilemma To Strike Or To Endure?

Where will the blow fall? The same question, always the same, in England as in France, in the neutral as in the pseudo-neutral countries.

The question is the same, but the replies vary. "In Holland and in Belgium," say those who believe in the possibility of a renewed Schlieffen manoeuvre against France, or in an air attack against England, facilitated by the German occupation of Dutch bases. "In Scandinavia," say those who still think that the main concern of the German experts is to lay their hands on iron ore. "In the Balkans," suggest others. And, to tell the truth, if I had to

choose between these three options, I should vote for the third. Germany, henceforth, in order to pursue the war, has more need of copper and oil than of iron. And the best copper is to be found in Yugoslavia, which is also a fairly rich agricultural country. And the only oil in Europe comes from Rumania—where the claims of both partners can easily be satisfied, that of the Russians for Bessarabia and that of the Germans for the oil wells and the rich black soil of Moldavia and Wallachia.

### War Speech

Note the following passage from a German war speech: "Rumania has an extraordinarily rich soil; the Rumanian peasants manage to obtain up to three harvests a year. How much more would we secure with our scientific methods? Then there is oil, a commodity of vital importance for us. We must have a new route to the East—that of Hungary and Rumania."

As these Hitler's words, or those of one of his lieutenants? No, the source is far more significant. It is the unchanging Germany of the experts—the sole sovereigns and masters who have never lost their standing in that country—and their spokesman, whom I quote, was Kaiser William II, before the Crown Council on November 5th, 1917.

Further, in addition to military and economic requirements, there are potent psychological reasons in favour of a descent upon the Balkans.

### Balkan Invasion?

Some of the most influential States of the American Middle West are proud of an origin which is largely Scandinavian—for instance, Wisconsin and Michigan. New York, on the Atlantic Coast, recalls with pride that its name was once "New Amsterdam." A German descent upon Scandinavia or the Netherlands might produce a disastrous effect in America. To invade the Balkans would be less dangerous. The history of the nineteenth century is a veritable record of the intrigues of the Great Powers in this region. And the Balkan States themselves have too often served as the willing pawns of the Habsburgs and the Romanoffs. Even the Balkan Conference which has just been held at Belgrade has not contributed to dispel that atmosphere of fear and anxiety which constitutes a definite invitation to those whose methods are based on violence.

And Heaven knows that the Germans do not need to be encouraged in their irritating and conceited superiority complex as far as the Slavs are concerned. I say advisedly—"The Germans" I have met, quite recently, Prussians and Bavarians who occupied important posts under the Weimar Republic. They cursed the folly and the "stupidity" of Hitler's methods. But not one of them could have admitted with sincerity that he did not regard the Poles, the Czechs and the Yugoslavs as "natives" to be administered and directed.

### Nazi Propaganda

But there is more. For some time—more particularly in the United States and in Italy—the Germans have been spreading the rumour that the Allies are endeavouring to drag the Balkans into the war. But this manoeuvre is not new. It consists in attempting to persuade public opinion that if the Germans violate a territory, it is merely in order to anticipate a similar step on the part of their adversaries. (It may be recalled that on the eve of the war of 1914, the German Ambassador in Paris, Baron von Schoen, actually

erally believed: one of his qualities is to know how to wait with the patience of the fox.

### Grew Tired

After his success at the elections of September 1930, all Democrats, Socialists and Catholics in Germany thought that he would make a violent and immediate effort to seize power. They prepared to resist—and then grew tired of resisting a menace which did not materialise. Even in November 1932, when his seemingly passive attitude cost him two million votes, Hitler still held his hand. He waited—waited—up to the day when a deliberate betrayal on the part of von Papen and an unconscious betrayal on the part of Hindenburg placed the power in his hands. To conquer, he relied upon his enemies alone.

For many who believed in Hitler's "anticommunism" it is necessary to recall that, during this essential period of his career, Hitler himself staged the dress rehearsal of his 1930 alliance with Bolshevism. His fight against the Republican Government of Prussia was conducted in full agreement with the communists; the transport strike in Berlin was organised in alliance with the communists.

### History Repeats

History repeats itself, but no one observes what is happening. If Hitler again resorts to his tactics of 1930-1933, that is not merely because they were successful at that moment. It is because he still hopes that he will find one day, behind the formidable fortifications from the North Sea to Switzerland, such unconscious collaborators as he found in the German Governments of his earlier period—persons without backbone and without courage, who invariably left the initiative to him, glad to be relieved of their difficulties and regarding the brief respite thus granted as the end of a nightmare.

It is in this sense, above all, that victory will lie with the best armed, not only from the material standpoint, but from that of a constant and all-enduring will. [World Copyright 1940 by "Sunday Herald" and Co-operation. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.]

### Hitler Can Wait

But although all that is known of Germany may tend to further the belief that the next blow will probably fall in the lower reaches of the Danube, it is not correct to say that Hitler cannot wait and that the event is inevitable.

"Are not the seven years of his

By COUNT SFORZA, former Foreign Minister of Italy

Dictatorship," this is the argument, "all marked by acts of violence? In 1933, the destruction of the Constitution; in 1934, the bloody disruption of the Party; in 1935, the re-introduction of conscription; in 1936, the denunciation of Locarno and the occupation of the Rhineland; in 1938, the occupation of Austria and the staging of the alleged 'marrydom' of the Sudetens; in 1939, the destruction of what remained of Czechoslovakia and the invasion of Poland."

All this is true, but it should be remembered that never have things been made easier for a head of a state than for Hitler during his seven years of office. Each time he struck, he knew that success was assured. Apart from the invention of "anti-communism," which he used to such purpose, Hitler's sole discovery may be summed up as follows: "War itself may not pay; but the reiterated menace of war pays me extremely well."

### What Substitute?

And so it did—until the day when the gauntlet was taken up. September 1939 saw the destruction of the psychological system invented by Hitler. What will he substitute for it? A point that should be noted is that dictators, all born of the lower classes, have no other experience than that of the years in which they achieved power. But they are, as it were, intoxicated by that experience, they must believe in it as they must believe in themselves. They have therefore a tendency to repeat on the international plane the methods by which they have been successful at home against adversaries who are either too divided, or too discouraged, or too prudent. But the years of Hitler's struggle for power prove the exact opposite of the argument: "He cannot wait—his temperament is to act."

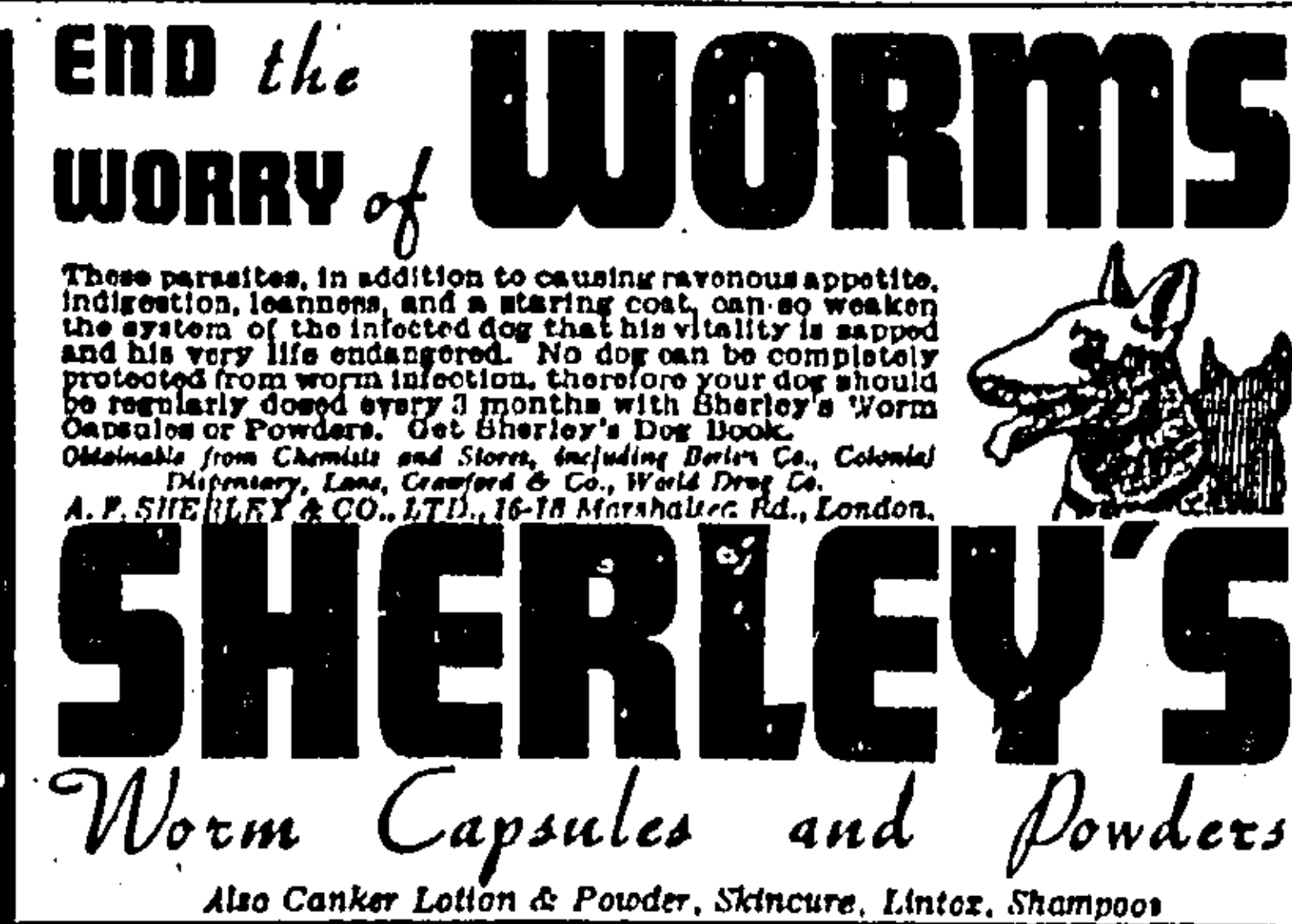
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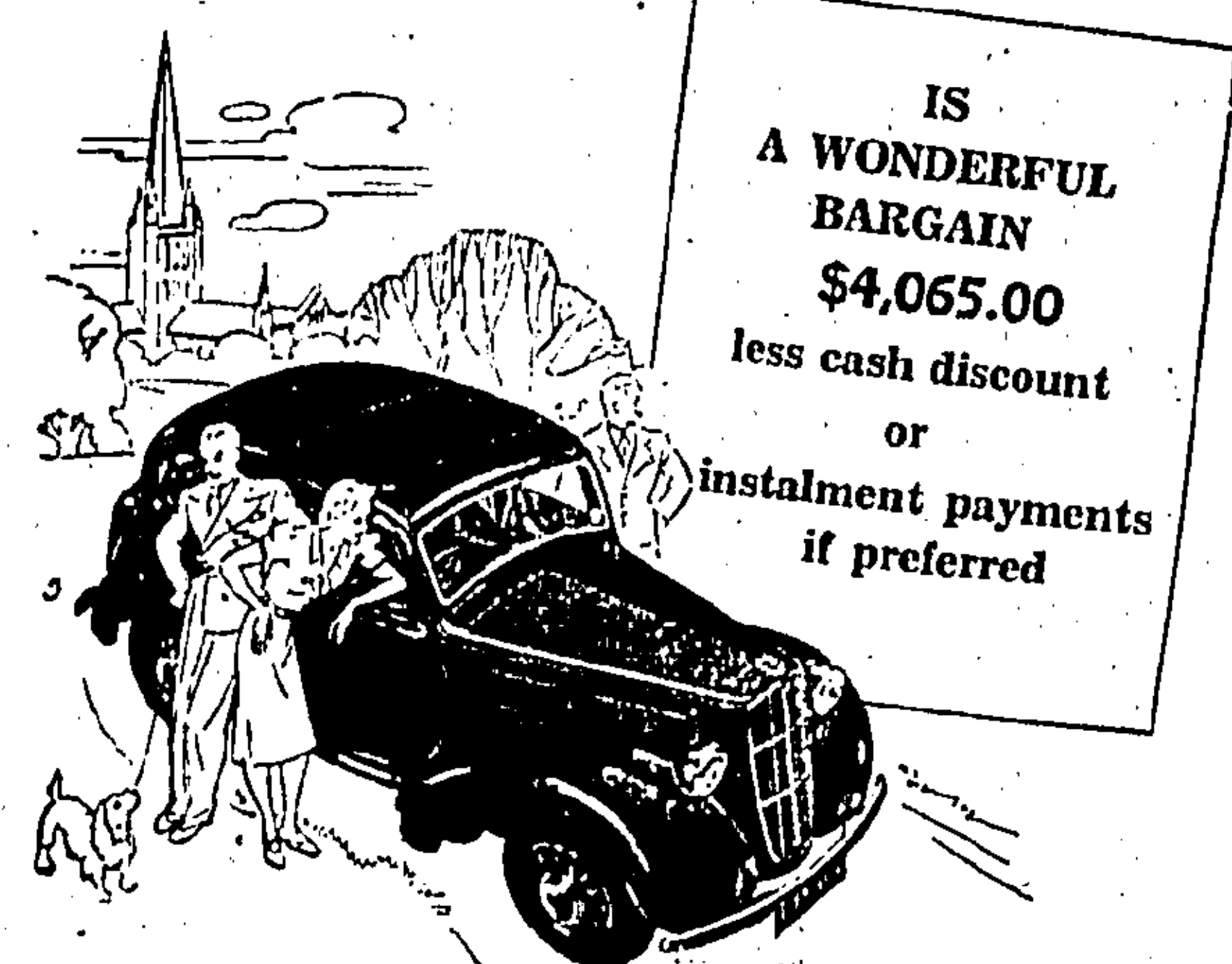
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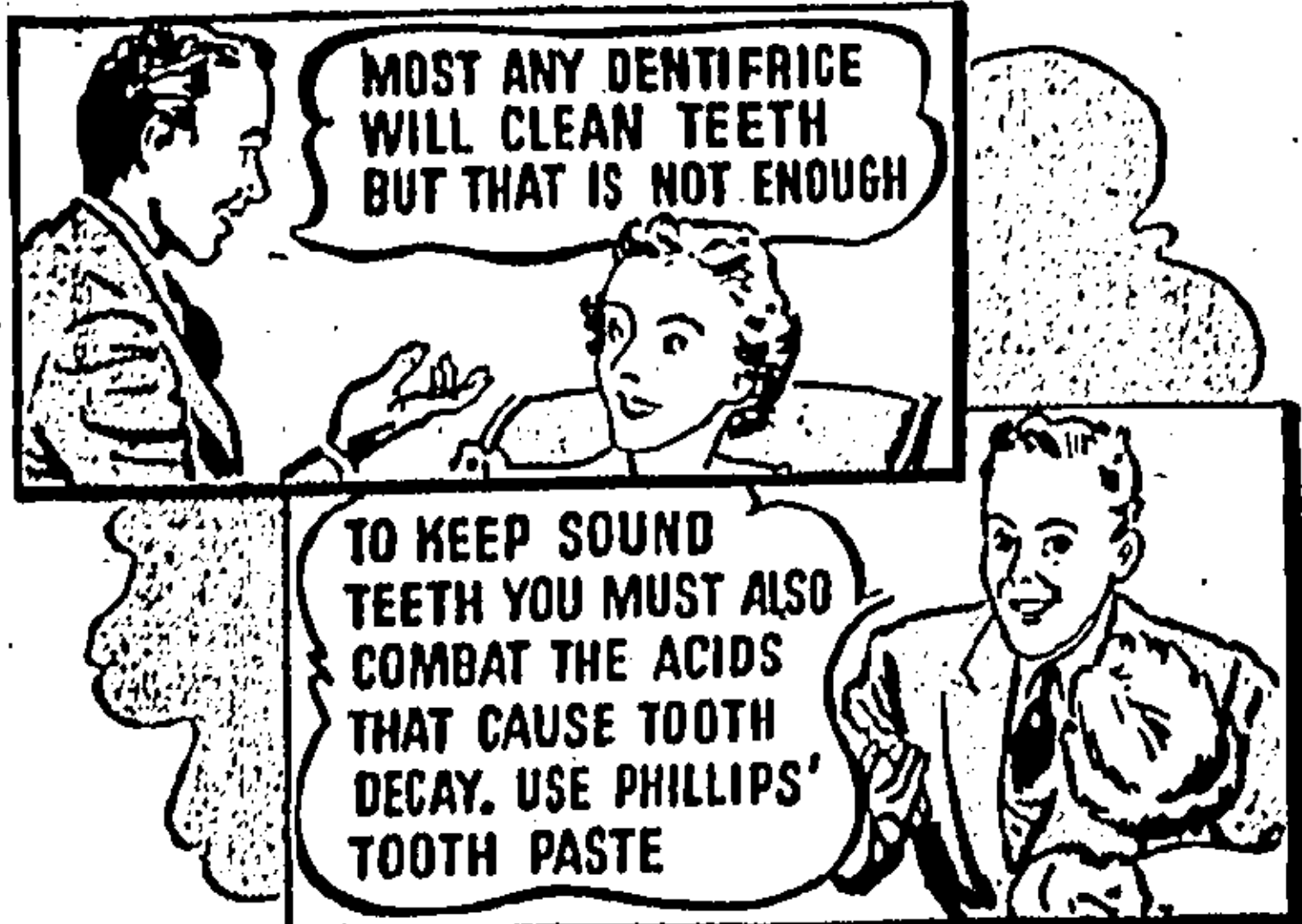
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London, Yesterday.  
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As soon as the self-starter was pressed an explosion took place beneath the bonnet. Clouds of smoke, flame and sparks leapt from the car.

A piece of metal was hurled yards down the street. Both mechanics were shaken.

Opening the bonnet, which had remained fastened, the men found two pieces of wire attached to the terminals of two sparking-plugs.

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All that remained of what was obviously either a detonator or a small bomb was a piece of tubing which appeared to have been used as a fuse.

The car was photographed and examined by the police, who took wires and tubing away for inspection.

"The car was practically undamaged."

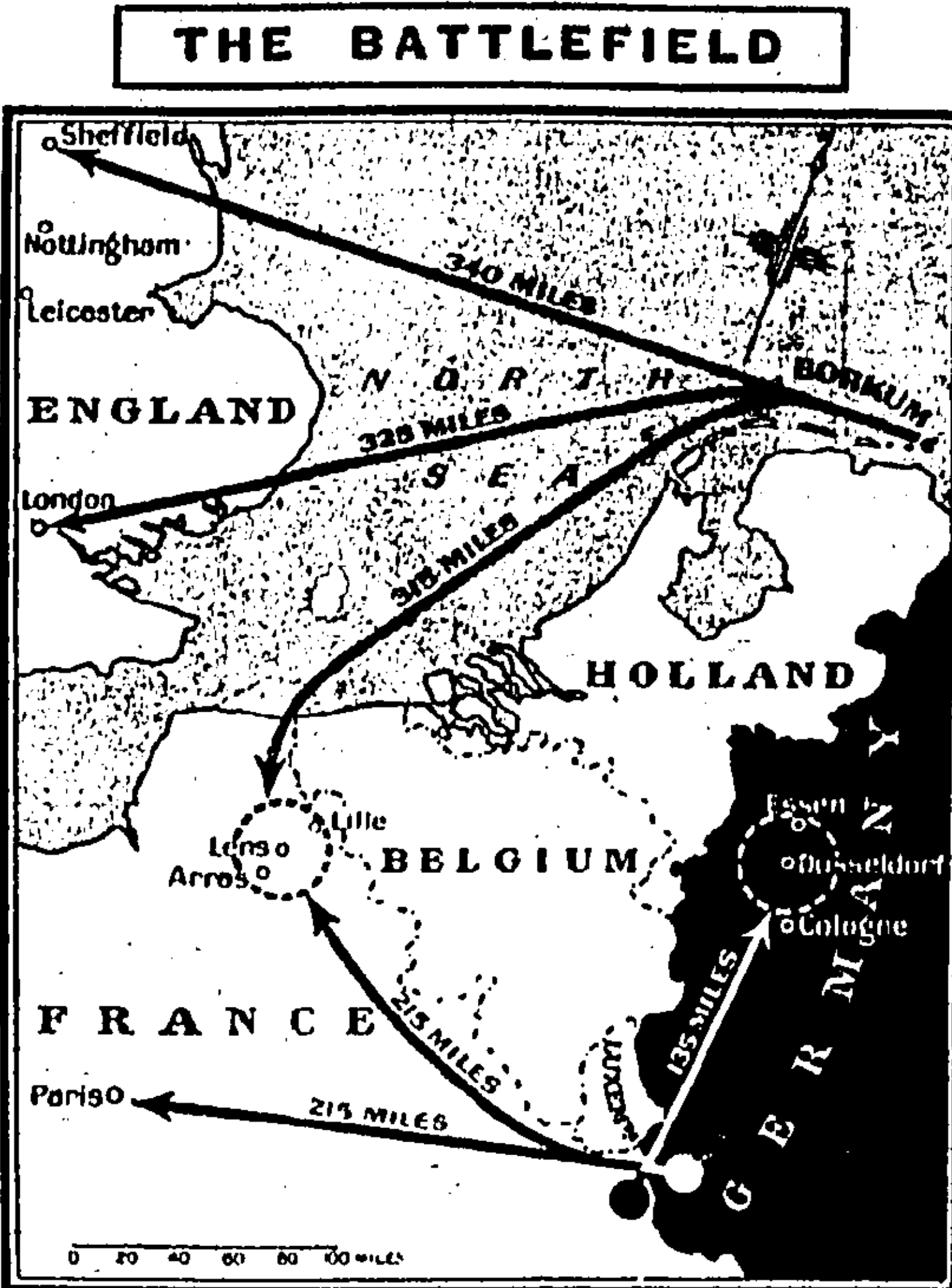
"It was the sort of booby-trap that would be very easy to set. If the bomb or detonator were ready it would be only necessary to open the bonnet and clip the wires to the plug terminals.—Our Own Correspondent."

## JAPANESE HAVE BEAR BY THE TAIL

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]  
SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY.  
"THE JAPANESE HAVE THE BEAR BY THE TAIL AND CANNOT LET GO," WRITES RANDALL GOULD, IN AN ARTICLE FROM CHUNGKING APPEARING IN THE "EVENING POST AND MERCURY," OF WHICH HE IS EDITOR.

Examining the military force of both contending parties, Mr. Gould concludes: "Although there is no sign of a Chinese military victory the most pertinent fact is that the Japanese have not won either, and in some ways they need to win worse."

"They have the bear by the tail and cannot let go. The Chinese are feeling cheerful about it all."—Havas.



We shall know if and when the Germans propose to start bombing the industrial centres of Britain and France. These centres include London and Paris.

The Germans will first evacuate their women and children from the Ruhr towns, and from Cologne, which lies on the direct route between the Ruhr and the nearest Allied positions. Sixty per cent. of Germany's industrial power is concentrated in the Ruhr. More than 5,000,000 people dwell there.

Should the Germans start bombing our factories without first removing the population from their own factories,

they would be at a disadvantage. Our bombers can reach the German centres more quickly than the Germans can reach ours.

It is 135 miles from the Allied positions to the Ruhr. It is 215 miles from the German positions to Lens, France's industrial area. It is 215 miles to Paris. From Borkum, the nearest German base to Britain, it is 340 miles to Sheffield and 325 miles to London.

The Germans have had good profits from the money they have spent on their air force—even if they never drop bombs. This air force has been the terror of Europe for several years. It cast the shadow of its wings over Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, compelling easy victory by threats.

## SHANGHAI PROFITEERS GAOLED

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Ten merchants guilty of speculating in rice were sentenced to 15 days' imprisonment each during February for selling rice above the price limit of \$40, a Shanghai Municipal Police report reveals.

The report also states that sales of cheap rice and flour are being continued to help the distressed population.—Havas.

## JAPAN NOT ENTERING OLYMPIC GAMES

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Amateur Athletic Association of Japan has unanimously decided that Japan will not participate in the Olympic Games this year even if Finland organizes the Games.

The decision came as a sequel to unofficial soundings by Finland.—Havas.

## R.A.F. TRAINING OFFICERS AS "GOSSIP-SLEUTHS"

London, Yesterday.  
FORTY OFFICERS are to be trained as "gossip sleuths" by the R.A.F. Their job will be to track down and restrict careless talk in aerodromes and barracks. "Information contained in such gossip is getting through to the enemy in a way which is positively dangerous," declared Air Commodore A. R. Boyle, the Air Ministry's Director of Intelligence, announcing the plan.

"We have realised that we must train men to restrict such gossip," he added.

After they have received a course of training, the 40 officers will be attached to various units.

The men themselves will be told of Air Commodore Boyle's own motto. It is: "Always feel that there is hidden in some attic a secret radio station which is ready to flash to Germany the gossip which you are about to pass on to your best friend."

## NANKING SET-UP DOOMED

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Chungking, Yesterday.  
"It won't be long before General Itagaki, Prince Konoye and others realise they have no use for Wang Ching-wei and his followers and will do away with the whole set-up at present being constituted at Nanking," declares the "Central China Daily News," official mouth-piece of the Kuomintang.

"Another possibility is that internal dissension will disrupt Wang's government even before its utter uselessness imposes itself upon its Japanese sponsors."

"The deep indignation felt throughout the Chinese nation against the alleged government which is being formed under Japanese protection will go far towards spilling Wang's ruin."

The "Daily News" is the only Chungking organ to comment on the Nanking session, and the official attitude seems to be to ignore Wang Ching-wei's government entirely.—Havas.

## MINDANAO MAGNET

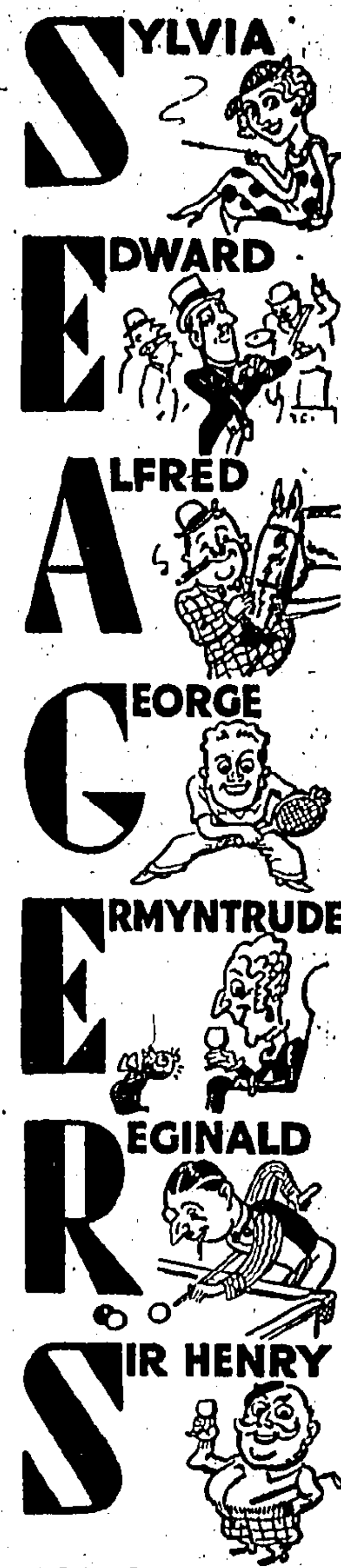
[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Shanghai, Yesterday.  
The island of Mindanao, which certain Japanese expansionists consider as Japan's natural "Lebensraum," seems to appeal not only to the Japanese but other communities as well.

After the plans for settling thousands of Jewish emigres on the island, another plan has now been formulated for settling in the Philippines 10,000 Shanghai Russians.

The idea of the Russian sponsors' plan is that Mindanao has enough first-class agricultural land for 30,000 settlers, and could thus help to solve the acute German and Russian refugee problem in Shanghai.

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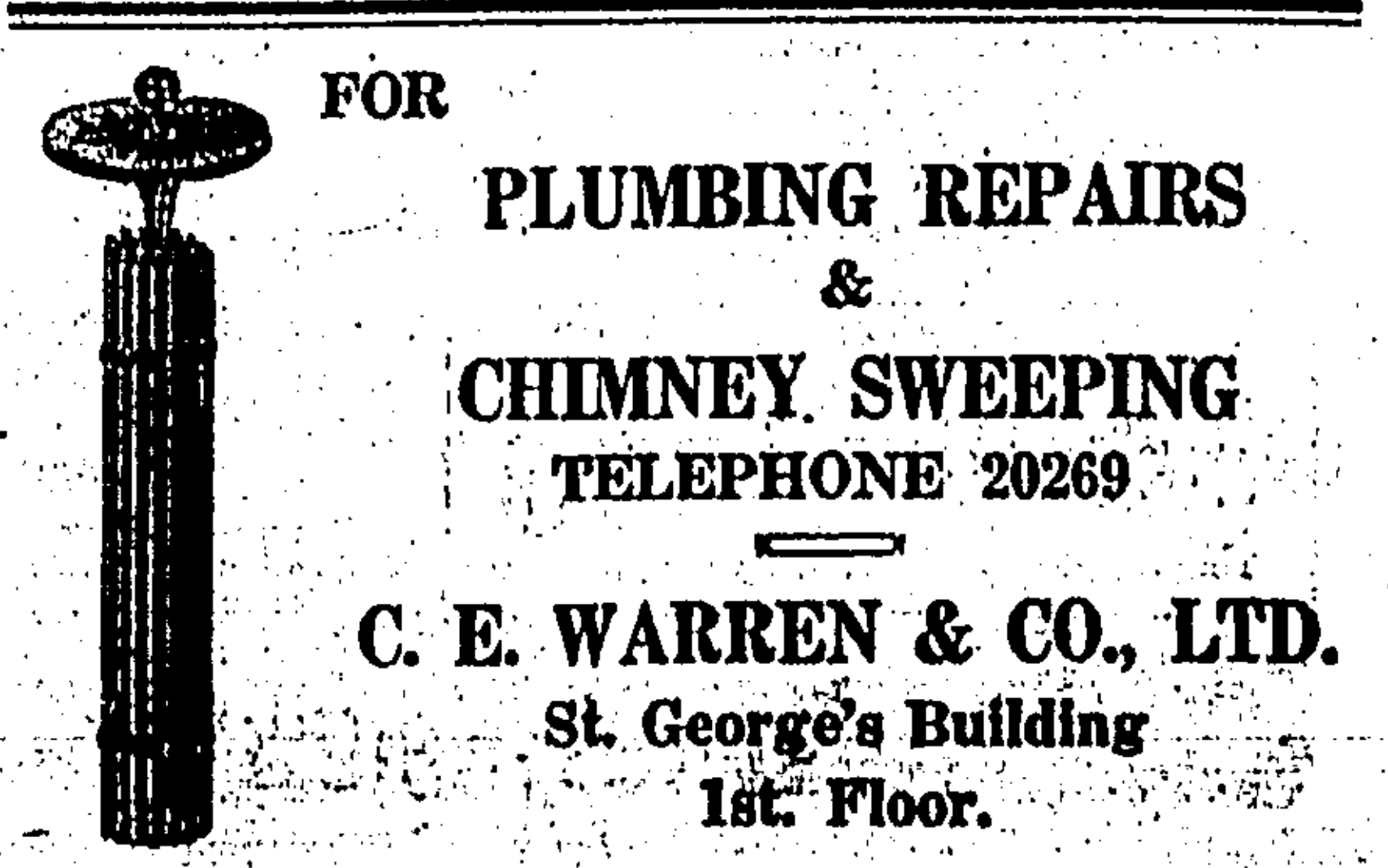
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## "NORMAL PATROL ACTIVITY"

many are those who on reading or hearing these words in a communique heave a sigh and murmur, "nothing new". They are quite right, there is nothing new in this activity. It dates from the very first day of the war and thanks to it the main body of the troops lives, works and sleeps in a calm that would be absolute, were it not for the enemy's planes.

It seems to be that some explanation should be given of this activity. The difficulties it presents, the devotion and heroism required of the men, should be known.

All acts of war can—theoretically—be classified in one or the other of two quite distinct categories; they are known as "offensive" and "defensive".

The "offensive" consists in dislodging the enemy from a position occupied by him; it may be difficult to carry out, but in theory it is easy to define.

At first sight it would also seem simple to define what is known as the "defensive", since it consists simply in not abandoning the position occupied. But in addition to this type of defence, for which no limit is fixed and which lays upon the troops an obligation not to retreat, there are innumerable other types of temporary resistance for which the High Command alone is in a position to indicate summarily both the reasons and the duration. This temporary resistance invariably demands of those concerned, intelligence, judgment and bravery. It is in these actions that the constant and meritorious effort of the patrols and outposts lies.

The roles played by these contact troops are extremely varied, for they



Tommy enjoys a game—even if there is a war on. Here are men of an anti-aircraft battery enjoying a game of football in the snow in France. (Copyright, Fox).

## Front

depend upon the mission assigned to the main force, upon the resistance potential of that force and, therefore, also upon the time and means which have been available for taking up the position which it is defending.

Where there is some doubt as to the enemy's strength, a strongly equipped force can await him in position and in practice a force in armoured fieldworks can allow the enemy to approach, while making an effort to hold him up as far away as possible. The same force, however, if unprotected by fortifications, would have an irresistible tendency to close with the enemy as soon as he is in sight. Only very experienced and war-trained men know how to wait, or, rather, to decide whether they should wait, while remaining in full possession of their nerves and judgment.

The troops sent to outpost positions by the defending force may be called upon to reconnoitre or to resist. "You must choose between eyes and fists," Foch used to say to those who wished to impose twofold duties.

Leaving considerations which may appear to err on the dry and academic side, I shall now attempt to explain what is required of these contact troops. There are certain fundamental axioms, easily remembered but more difficult to apply.

The first of these is that by which any act of war is governed, namely—"Kill, but do not let yourself be killed"—this primary obligation was terribly ignored in 1914, on the pretext of bravery. When death is in the offing, real valour consists in not fearing the worst, but also in not going out of one's way to meet it.

The second applies more especially to the conduct of the contact units—"See without being seen", or, on night duty—"Hear without being heard".

The third also governs vanguard action—"Speak not, either with your lips or with your weapons."

The explanation I now propose to give is derived from the theoretical application of the last two.

"To see" seems a very simple matter. Unfortunately, the soldier's viewpoint differs from that of the tourist. A tourist seeks high summits, commanding wide stretches of country.

But such peaks are natural targets for artillery. Even if every precaution has been taken not to be observed. Therefore, it is wise to be less ambitious, to be content with narrower horizons and to establish a network of complementary and intercommunicating posts. This is in no wise easy, but it is essential in order to avoid being deprived of one's means of observation at the critical moment.

These considerations apply to all observation posts, both those of the main position and those of the vanguard. An example may be useful, and many war veterans will understand what I mean when I speak of "Sinai", the name of the famous observation post on Rheims Hill, known for its wide view of the plain. They will also remember the so-called "hermit" who inhabited it, the man who refused any kind of leave so as not to lose for an instant the contact with the mobile units of the enemy, whose movements he constantly and promptly reported to the Allied artillery. Realising that his

The First of Two Articles by

**GEN. LOUIS MAURIN,**

former Minister of War

"observatory"—a charming creeper—covered refuge in summer, and frequently visited—would be insufficient during a period of attack, this excellent officer, a former pupil of the Ecole Centrale, has an armoured observation post built and carefully camouflaged. He refused to allow anyone to enter, in order to avoid giving clues that might have led to its discovery. Nevertheless, when, in July 1918, the Germans tried to pierce the Champagne Front, their first action was to pound the "Sinai" with their artillery and to blot out its field of view with smoke bombs.

The absolute necessity of a large number of such observations posts is therefore obvious and this is why, all along the Western Front to-day, thousands, yes and tens of thousands of eyes, watch, silent and alert, unfiring and unfalling. This observation is the first and constant activity of the contact troops. It is well worth a vote of thanks.

But night falls with its mystery, the eye becomes useless and the ear must take on its task. And, since the ear's field of action is far smaller, it is necessary to multiply the number of listening posts. This is done by means of patrols, who are dispatched along trails which have been carefully blazed in order to avoid any mistake and who plunge bravely into the depths of the night. The constant invisible danger is a severe test for the nerves.

And now I come to the defensive outposts. It may seem strange that the axiom of silence should extend also to their weapons. This, however, does not always apply. Sharp firing may on occasions serve to mislead the enemy into thinking that he is facing a large number of troops. When an outpost makes use of its own weapons, all it does is to reveal its own existence, not that of the troops. It has been instructed to warn. What is much more serious is when an outpost sends an urgent request

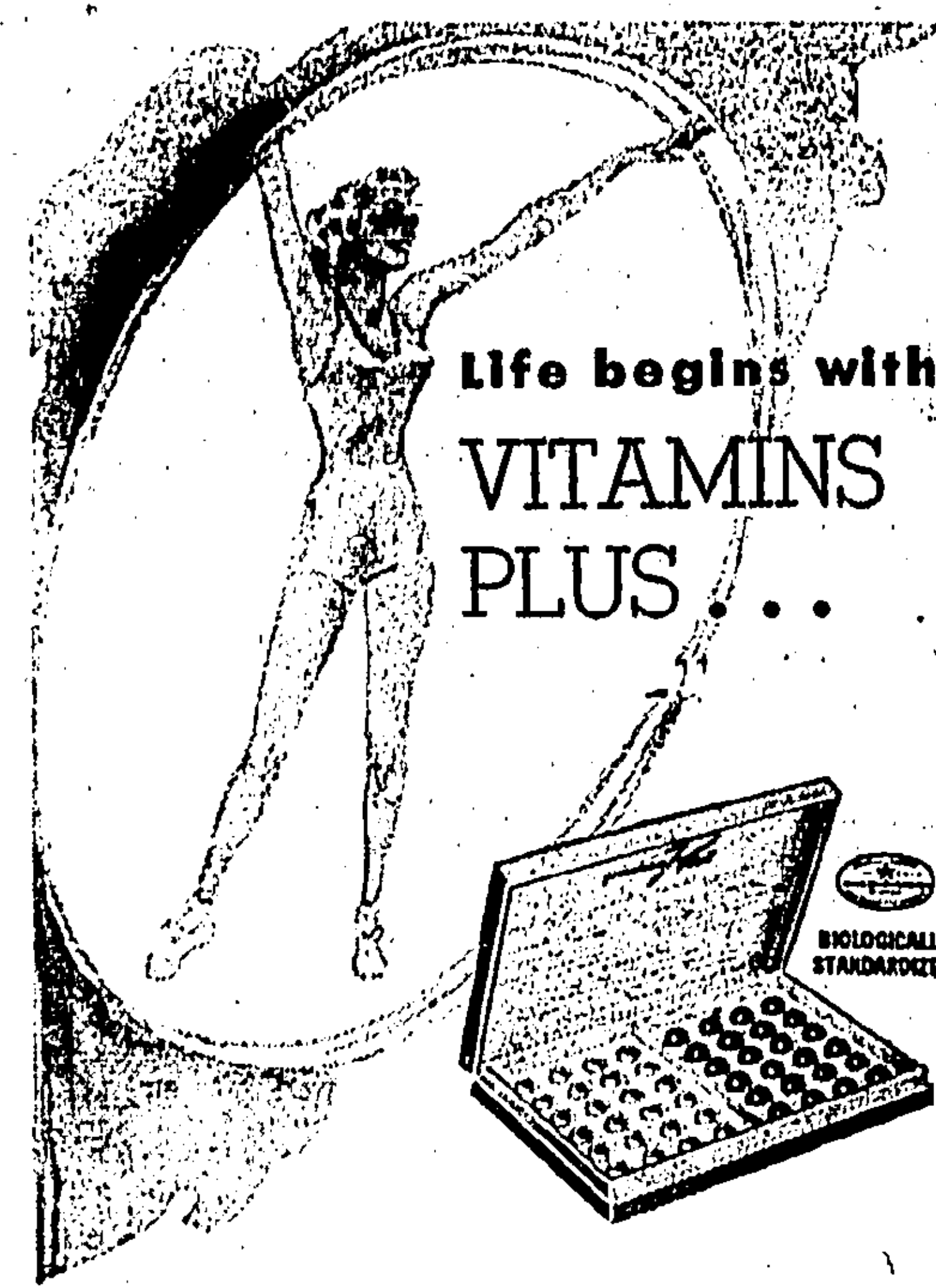
for artillery support from the batteries further back.

What is the duty of the main body of troops behind the outposts? Its duty is to crush the enemy attack by resistance. But it will be an attack on a large scale and not the type of small, local, preparatory action which is dealt with by the outposts.

On the other hand, if one of these outposts is really in danger, no one will leave it to its fate. The silence which is one of the fundamental axioms must then be abandoned.

Then the weapons must speak, but only those which appear to be adequate to settle the incident—generally those which are now happily available to the infantry. Such arms, machine-guns and light mortars, are extremely mobile and their existence is not menaced by a spasmodic action, following which they can easily be moved elsewhere.

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## TOURIST TRADE

AN American correspondent to the "Herald" has raised the question whether we are doing enough to attract travellers from his country, most of whom go to Europe in time of peace. War conditions have opened for Hong Kong and the Far East generally the possibility of further developing what is in fact an important export industry—that of catering for foreign tourists, since they bring their money here and use it to buy the goods and services they require in travelling. In countries such as Switzerland, a large proportion of the population is dependent on tourists. In France, too, before the depression, the tourist traffic ranked as one of the half-dozen leading export industries, and the pageantry of London has never failed to attract a large quota of visitors from other countries. The United States supplies the most important detachments of tourists, who spend in the course of a year some five or six hundred million dollars. The war in Europe has cut these sightseers off from their accustomed haunts, and it is for the Orient, if an effort is made, to divert to this part of the world some of the trade which Great Britain and the Continent have perforce lost.

It is true that Sino-Japanese hostilities continue as a disturbing factor, but good publicity which makes it plain that, by and large, the main tourist centres are back to something near normality, should attract the trade. Hong Kong's publicity need not, perhaps should not, concentrate upon this island's special charms. It should rather offer an inviting picture of the possibilities of a Far Eastern tour now that European doors are closed; for if the potential tourist can be persuaded to come East, Hong Kong will certainly not be among the centres missed.

With a little imagination producing an effective campaign, the Colony would be doing a double service, increasing its own prosperity and aiding in the war effort by securing a larger share of certain idle American dollars of which the Home Government cannot obtain too many.

## POCKETS AND PRIVILEGE

Education may have passed from a luxury to a necessity, but why (every schoolboy will ask) transmute a necessity into a penance? Pockets, according to Mr. Neil Macneil, the new headmaster of Wesley College, Melbourne, can be so detrimental to juvenile posture that he has decreed there must in future be no such depositories on the right or left side of his pupils' trousers. Hip-pockets and small fob-pockets he is ready to concede, but none other. This ukase can hardly have failed to produce the liveliest reactions among those affected by it. For who, in the entire realm of boyhood—and manhood, for that matter—will deny the importance of pockets in the masculine scheme of life? As well put him back into rompers! Posture notwithstanding, the social significance of pockets is tremendous, and of all the pockets ever devised none is superior in tone and tonnage to the trouser side-pocket. This is pointedly demonstrated at the English Public Schools, where seniors would lose caste if they did not make ostentatious use of this sartorial feature. It differentiates them from the mere small fry in abbreviated jackets, who are usually forbidden under threat of dire punishment to imitate their elders in this respect. Schoolboys as a whole will rejoice that this Australian ruling is unlikely to be applied generally, and will with great heartiness applaud the view that it is not wise to try to overcome human nature by mechanical prohibitions.

The shroud of secrecy surrounding the subject and results of the Hitler-Mussolini conference at Bolzano has invested a meeting plainly of high importance with even greater significance. Any liftings of the veil did no more than show what the Dictators did not discuss, and Mr. Sumner Welles's summary disposal of the main line of speculation merely diverted the flood of diplomatic conjecture into other channels. Most immediate result, however, has been the creation of a more disturbed atmosphere in South-East Europe. Count Teleki's sudden discovery of the need for a "holiday" in Italy furnished a very clear pointer. The Bulgarian Foreign Minister considered it expedient to re-state his Government's policy. Staff talks in Turkey were expedited. The German Minister in Bucharest presented a Note to Rumania which may well assume the importance of the first move in the game.

### Mr. Welles's Dementi

Mr. Welles who delayed his departure but did not see Il Duce a second time, was chiefly concerned to repudiate any suggestion of meddling in European politics. His statement was categorical. He had neither brought proposals for a patch-up peace from Washington to Europe, nor had he acted as postman for peace offers between any European countries, belligerent or otherwise. In welcome endorsement from the Allied viewpoint came a speech by President Roosevelt clearly stating that the United States had no interest in any sort of peace that Herr Hitler might propose. In clear phases, the President set out the principles of the only satisfactory peace, and every phrase was tantamount to condemnation of Hitler and Hitlerism.

### Eleven Points Of "Peace"

The peace rumours derived largely from a story put out in Rome alleging that Hitler had presented Mr. Welles with an eleven-point peace programme. It was made clear in London that nothing was known in official quarters of such a plan, and the reports generally were discredited. The eleven points as outlined, however, assumed a new interest to observers when they were analysed as revealing the general trend of Nazi policy in the Balkans, and as appearing to dovetail with subsequent hints of a Hitler offer to Mussolini at Brenner for a partitioning of "Italo-German-Russian spheres of interest in South-East Europe. Main basis was the estab-

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lishment of Italo-German "guardian-ship" over the region.

### Italo-German Alliance

In harmony were Nazi intimations that the result of the Brenner talk would be Italo-Soviet rapprochement, announcement of M. Molotov's impending arrival in Berlin, and rumours of a journey by Count Ciano to Berlin, to contact M. Molotov. Il Duce's present attitude is presumably to be interpreted from Signor Gayda's declaration that Mussolini's time is too valuable for him to spend it wastefully as the budding peacemaker of Europe, and from Mussolini's own reaffirmation of the Italo-German alliance.

### The French Cabinet Crisis

France in the throes of a Cabinet crisis presents a strange spectacle, for while M. Daladier resigned on failure to secure a clear vote of confidence on the conduct of the war, his critics calling for a more vigorous prosecution of the campaign, M. Reynaud finds himself also in difficulties with the Chamber. The new Cabinet, which has decided to carry on, provides for the Inner War Cabinet considered necessary, an Economic War Council, and the spreading of posts among a larger number of Ministers so that no individual shall be too deeply involved in departmental matters. Until the Chamber debate, President Lebrun's choice had been warmly applauded, M. Reynaud being hailed as a leader of vigour and initiative. The battle with the Chamber, however, appears to bear no relation to the future conduct of the war. Inclusion of Socialists in the Government aroused the hostility of the Right, and internal politics have come into play. The lesson of French developments seized upon in America is the reaffirmation of the final power of Parliament in a democracy. M. Daladier had been regarded as the leader of a semi-Fascist system of government. He bowed nevertheless to Parliamentary disapproval as expressed in mere refusal of a large group to vote on a motion of confidence. The crisis is not over, but there is nothing to suggest that M. Reynaud will not find a satisfactory way out.

### Mr. Chamberlain Faces Critics

The counterpart in Britain to the political pressures in France found

MR. Chamberlain, on Tuesday, in his most attractive mood. He made out a very good case for the Government's policy in the R u s s o - F i n n i s h air raid on Sylt in the middle of the debate put the House of Commons in an altogether pleasant mood. Nevertheless, implications were plain enough. "This funny war" may not be the "phony war" of armchair critics in the United States (vide Mr. Oliver Stahley); but there is a growing conviction that it is getting the Allies nowhere. Mr. Chamberlain's Commons speech misfired, but it is difficult to controvert the line of his argument, detailed in his "Herald" article last week. It would not be surprising, therefore, were the French reorganisation to form a precedent for changes in Britain.

### Confidence In The Premier

Mr. Chamberlain has kept his thoughts on the subject to himself; and no clue was to be found in Tuesday's speech to his attitude on Cabinet changes. It is hinted, however, that Lord Chalfont may give way to Mr. Churchill as Minister for Coordination of Defence, and Sir Kingsley Wood to Mr. Anthony Eden as Secretary of State for Air. Confidence in the Premier personally was enhanced by Tuesday's exchanges, and Mr. Churchill's popularity remains unshaken. But no other changes in high quarters would upset public feeling.

### The Raid On Sylt

In the field of action, the raid on Sylt overshadowed all else. Ordered as a reprisal for the German raid on Scapa Flow, which was signally a failure, the raid was both a magnificent feat of arms and a magnificent piece of propaganda. The raid began at 8 p.m. and continued for six hours, bombers passing over in waves at half-hourly intervals dropping their missiles with an impressive precision of time and accuracy. For every bomb dropped haphazardly by the Nazis over the Orkneys, the R.A.F. planted three on Sylt, and if Lord Strabolg's estimate was more picturesque than accurate, it was a neat job well done. Hitler's "threat" after Poland was bomb for bomb, and if the R.A.F. "promise" continues on the basis of three for one, he is due for a course in higher mathematics in order to keep up with the situation.

SCRUTATOR.

## Battle Of Ideas: WAR WITH RUSSIA? By D.N. Pritt

WILL there be war in the next few months between Great Britain and the U.S.S.R.? Very, very few people want it, but some of those few are in positions of power, and the danger is accordingly real and urgent.

The most important task at the moment is to rouse public opinion against this war, and I want in this article to remove some of the doubts and difficulties that are used by the war propagandists to perplex the lovers of peace.

Most of these difficulties arise out of Finland; but Finland is neither the whole of the problem, nor the real cause of the clamour for war. The hostilities began in Finland, and very many people strongly opposed to the action of the Soviet Union in Finland are equally strongly opposed to war against the U.S.S.R.

It does not matter for the purposes of this article that I am one of those who, after careful study, defend the actions of the Soviet Union. I can understand quite well the doubts and anxieties of those who want to stop the war from spreading, and do my best to resolve them.

One of these difficulties turns on the controversy whether Finland is a democratic country or is virtually Fascist. The warmongers argue that the country is genuinely democratic—we hear such arguments from, among others, the most reactionary elements in Britain, Italy, and, "France"—Spain—while many others, the more entitled to speak in the name of democracy, think that the real made up of Germany's concurrence, power in Finland still resides in a combination of reactionary anti-Russian rulers and a huge para-military "Schutzkorps," or White Guard.

I cannot take up space here with a discussion as to which view is right; I have done that in my book, "Must the War Spread?" But it may well be asked if it really matters whether Finland is democratic or Fascist. I think it does matter to a substantial extent. It is not, perhaps, a question of primary importance; indeed, it would probably never have become prominent if it were not for the recklessly partisan propaganda of the British Press, which has made even a moderate statement of the opposite case appear highly biased to the eyes of those who have been captured by the propaganda.

But it is of importance, for two reasons; first, because the success or failure of the warmongers' effort to line up the working-class behind a war against the Soviet Union depends largely on the working-up of moral indignation over Finland; and second, because, for those who try to find out the truth and influence public opinion, it makes a great difference to their estimation of Russian action whether those who at present govern Finland are peace-loving democrats, or hard bitten Fascist or Tsarist White Guards co-operating with the major Capitalist enemies of the U.S.S.R.

Another point that often causes difficulty is whether the action of the U.S.S.R. in Finland is directed to securing her against German aggression. I think it is. Germany has dominated the Baltic for most of the last half-century; and, while recent events have made the command of that sea largely pass to the Soviet Union, no Russian can assume that his country is yet safe from German aggression.

The terms obtained by the U.S.S.R. from Finland were plainly designed to provide security against aggression, and one of the more important potential sources of such aggression was Germany.

The answer I have given to this point is, indeed, obvious, unless the view be taken that Germany and the U.S.S.R. are working together in the present conflicts, so that neither need fear aggression by the other. It is sometimes suggested, even, that the more entitled to speak in the name of democracy, think that the real made up of Germany's concurrence, power in Finland still resides in a combination of reactionary anti-Russian rulers and a huge para-military "Schutzkorps," or White Guard.

I confess that I find it impossible to give credence to the view that the rulers of Germany, who think in terms of force, and hate Socialism and Communism as much as ever they did, would willingly concur in Socialist Russia strengthening her position as against them in the Baltic.

They must fear and mistrust Moscow as much as she mistrusts them; and every report of co-operation between them that I have seen in the Press is plainly inspired by the desperate anxiety of Hitler to rally the people by persuading them that he is really deriving substantial help from the U.S.S.R.

The question what attitude we in

Britain should adopt if there were such co-operation is thus hypothetical; but in any case it would seem to me difficult to see how Germany can derive any benefit from the Russian success in Finland, even if, though driven to "concur" in it, and still more difficult to imagine why we should on any such ground desire to add the U.S.S.R. to our enemies.

Another point advanced at times by the advocates of "spreading the war" is that the U.S.S.R. should be regarded as already a belligerent in the Anglo-Franco-German war. This is based on the suggestion that there is a military pact between the U.S.S.R. and Germany.

Personally, do not believe that there is; but, in any event, before I could think that any such pact made the U.S.S.R. into a belligerent, I should want to know what sort of a pact it is, what it binds the Soviet Union to do, and whether she is doing it.

She is certainly not fighting Britain or France, nor lending troops to Germany; and I see no hint that she is going to give Germany bits of Finnish territory, or attack any country for Germany's benefit. In my view there cannot, either as a matter of international law or as a matter of plain fact, be any arrangement in existence that could result in aiding Germany militarily, or could constitute a threat to Britain in this war.

I trust that I have been able to clear up a few doubts, and I would like to conclude by emphasizing that opponents of war against the U.S.S.R., and, in particular, Socialist opponents, need not despair. We may not have got rid of Chamberlain; we may have failed to force the creation of a peace front with the Soviet Union by the grant of those concessions, for which she asked in the summer of 1939; but, to put it at the lowest, our negative power is still immense.

Capitalist-British cannot contemplate large-scale hostilities if even a small section of its subjects are decidedly against such steps; I am inclined to the view that opposition to war against the Soviet Union is already strong enough to defeat the spread of the war, and I am quite certain that very little new growth will hinder it definitely so.

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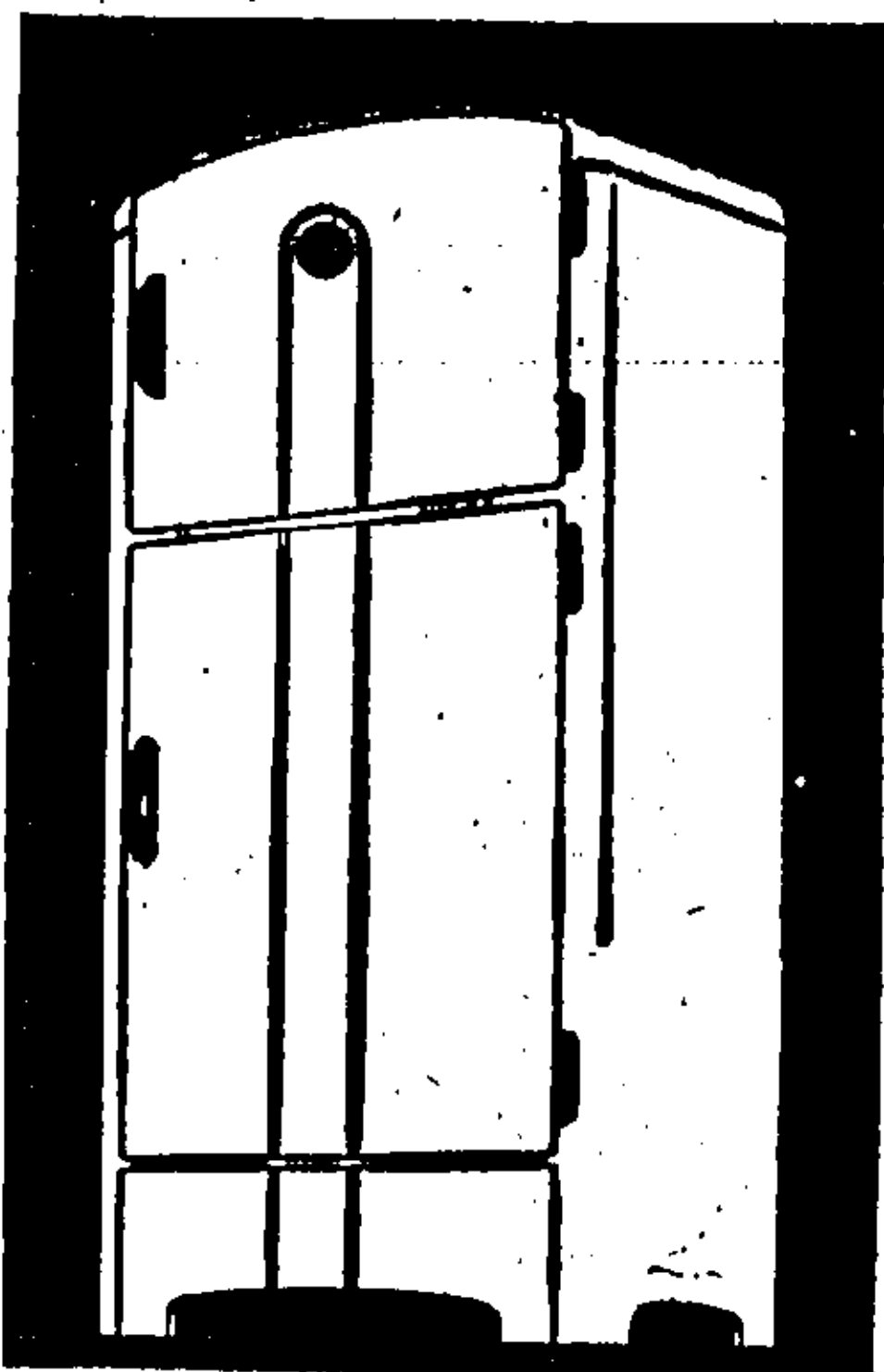
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## THEATRICAL GESTURE BY WANG

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Chungking, Yesterday.  
Nanking's order to Chinese troops to cease fighting in a purely theatrical gesture, of flimsy circles here stated.  
It would be interesting to know, they said, if the "central political council" in Nanking ever gave a thought to what would happen to China once her resistance against the Japanese militarists ceases.—Havas.

## GLOOMY HANKOW PICTURE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

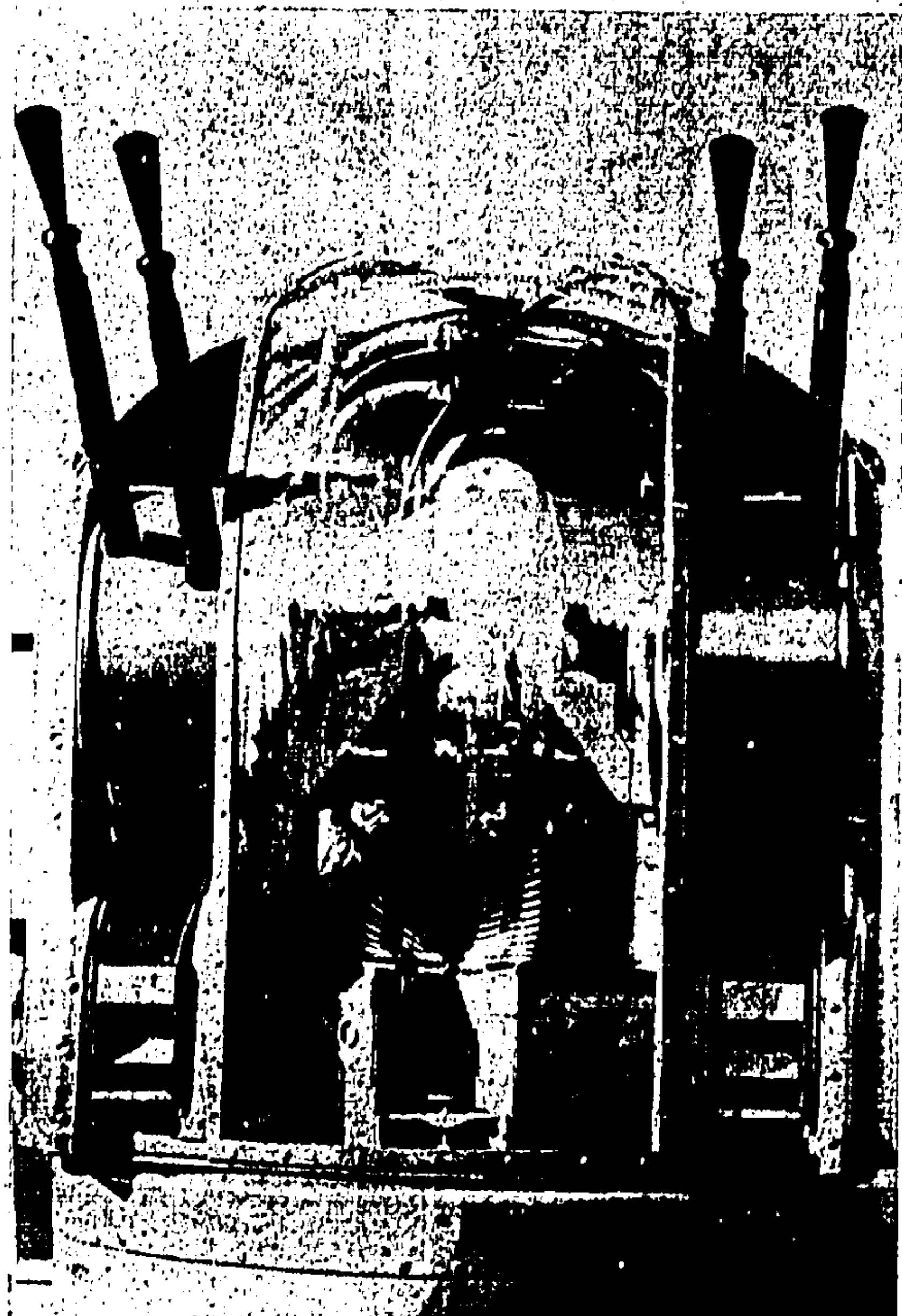
Shanghai, Yesterday.  
The Report of the Hankow British Chamber of Commerce draws a gloomy picture of the economic position in the Hankow region, where the production of exportable goods amounts to barely one-fifth of normal.

New crops are likely to be sparse and when peace is restored and the river open considerable time will elapse before exportable goods will reach the normal volume.

Throughout the past year shipping continued idle except for Japanese lines.

The Japanese have only partially evacuated wharves and pontoons which they forcibly occupied, and all British steamers, tugs and lighters have been completely immobilised despite repeated efforts to obtain release.—Havas.

# "Not A Big Show As Shows Go" Says Pilot A MODEST ACCOUNT OF SYLT RAID



### RED CROSS FUND

London, Yesterday.  
The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund rose this week by £20,000. It now stands at £1,247,500.—British Wireless.

Here is a member of the Bomber Command which was responsible for the raid on Sylt. Photo is a study of a rear-gunner in the turret of one of the bombers engaged in the raid. (Copyright, Fox).

London, Yesterday.  
"IT WAS NOT A BIG SHOW as shows go, but it was a good one, anyway!" modestly said one of the R.A.F. pilots who took part in the raid on Sylt.

On Tuesday, he began, they received the orders they had all been waiting for some time.

They had had a long practice in patrol flights and security patrols, and felt that the time was about due for them to put the knowledge they had obtained to useful purpose. Not that the security patrols were not exciting at times — but on the whole they were rather monotonous.

He explained, in parenthesis, that the security patrols near the German seaplane bases were useful, because while they were going on, the Nazis did not dare light fires to enable their own planes to rise and land.

But, he continued, all the R.A.F. pilots on patrol wanted to "take a crack at the Germans." When they got the order to carry out the attack on Hornum, "everyone felt that at last we were getting some of our own back."

### GOOD WEATHER

The weather was the best they had yet experienced on such flights. They took off in the moonlight. Forty-five minutes later, they ran into low clouds and showers. These lasted for 30 minutes and then the clouds lifted considerably, and for the rest of the journey, below the clouds, visibility was reasonable.

He thought it probable that the Germans on Sylt thought it was just another security patrol. They "blackened-out" the island as usual.

The R.A.F. machines sighted Sylt at the northern end, about 5 miles out to sea; they turned south. On arriving at Sylt, they turned towards it; to the north, they could see the lights of a neutral town in the distance.

Flying "pretty low," they turned towards the east and the mainland, where they ran into anti-aircraft fire. They turned towards the island again, and climbed to "operational height."

### DIVE BOMBING

They proceeded towards their objective and when they got close they could see a slipway. Down towards it they dived, and then the bombs were released.

Immediately the bombs were dropped, they turned off their course and dived towards the open sea. He could see the flash of the bombs and the "bomb-man" told him the bombs actually hit the slipway.

They headed out for sea and home. Anti-aircraft batteries opened up as soon as the first bombs fell—"they were pretty intense, but not very accurate or effective. Some must have been reasonably close, because we felt the concussion."

He concluded:—"The Germans must have had an extremely uncomfortable time and must have wondered when the raid was going to end. I think we felt that the German gunners and searchlight crews were probably a lot more tired than we were!"—Reuter.

## RELAXED RATIONING

LONDON, YESTERDAY.  
FURTHER RELAXATION IN MEAT RATIONING IS THE SUBJECT OF A STATEMENT TO-DAY BY THE MINISTRY OF FOOD WHICH DEALS ALSO WITH THE DOUBLING OF THE BUTTER RATION AS FROM MONDAY.

From Tuesday onwards sausages, sausage meat, pastes, meat pasties, meat puddings and all other manufactured meat products, whatever the meat content, will be sold free of the ration. Furthermore the issue of extra meat rations to diabetic patients is now formally authorised.—British Wireless.

## ATTACK ON U-BOAT

London, Yesterday.  
British warships escorting a convoy off the west coast of Britain yesterday dropped depth charges for half an hour around a spot where a U-boat was seen to submerge. It is not known whether or not they hit it.—Reuter.

## SOVIET DECORATES 9,300 WAR "HEROES"

Moscow, Yesterday.  
The Soviet Government has decorated 9,300 officers and men of the Red Army who took part in the Finnish war.

The awards are for "bravery" in the fight between the tiny Finnish army and the "overwhelming" forces of the Soviet.—Reuter.

## HONOURS FOR SYLT RAIDERS

London, Yesterday.  
Two Distinguished Flying Crosses and one D. F. Medal have been conferred in recognition of gallantry on the occasion of Tuesday's bombing raid on Hornum.—British Wireless.

## MUSLIM SOLUTION FOR INDIA

Lahore, Yesterday.

The division of India into autonomous states is the only solution to the problem, Mr. Jinnah, leader of the All-Moslem League, said at the opening of the Muslim Conference yesterday.

The Moslems, he said, "cannot accept any constitution which must necessarily result in a Hindu majority government."

They had had ample experience of the working of the provincial congresses in the past 2½ years. The applications of these principles would lead to civil war and private armies being founded.

He invited Mr. Gandhi and other leaders to meet him and settle the issue.

India's present unity, he continued, is artificial. It dates back to the British conquest and is maintained by British power. The end of British rule will herald a great break-up and complete disaster.—Reuter.

## AIR BATTLE STATEMENT

AMSTERDAM, YESTERDAY.  
A COMMUNIQUE HAS BEEN ISSUED HERE STATING THAT AT NOON YESTERDAY AN AIR BATTLE OCCURRED OVER GERMAN TERRITORY NEAR THE DUTCH FRONTIER BETWEEN A BRITISH "PLANE AND ONE OR MORE" GERMAN MACHINES.

The British plane apparently attempted to make a forced landing and crashed in a flooded area in Dutch territory.

The plane is buried deep in the ground and this, and the flooding, is making the work of salvage difficult.

None of its occupants have yet been found, the communique concludes.—Reuter.



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## In Palestine To-day

# Spirit Of Greater Confidence

I HAVE lately been in Palestine, where I find a remarkable change from my last visit, two years ago. Then the situation was bad; the relations between Arabs and Jews were strained; outrages were becoming frequent; there was the prospect of much worse. So it proved. Every form of violence increased; assassinations, bomb outrages, train wreckings became everyday occurrences; transport was brought almost to a standstill; Government administration had to be withdrawn from the rural districts; the disturbances grew to the dimensions of a rebellion. Now everything is transformed. There have been no serious outrages for a long time. One can travel freely throughout the country. The concrete blockhouses that are to be seen everywhere as a new feature in the landscape have no garisons. The broad barbed-wire entanglement, built for sixty miles to protect the northern frontier from raiding bands, remains only as a relic of a phase that is past. In place of the constant patrols on the roads, of armoured cars with police or soldiers with machine guns, and the troops on guard throughout Jerusalem and the other towns, one sees now only a rare sentry or an occasional patrol. It is true that a few outlaws still roam the hills, and that military action is sometimes needed to suppress them. As a measure of precaution, night travel on the roads is not yet permitted. But in the main conditions are normal.

### Prophecy Dangerous

Prophecy is always dangerous, but at present the indications are that this quiet will continue. Arms are now being surrendered more freely in the villages than at any previous time; partly because information as to their whereabouts is more readily forthcoming, now that the well-disposed peoples of Palestine enjoyed an unbroken quiet for eight years—from 1921 to 1929; and what has been once, may be again.

Yet the political tension still exists—as it existed also during those years. The problems raised by Jewish immigration, Jewish land purchase, and the Arab demand for self-government, have not been solved. The London Conference and the Government's White Paper, have not produced any formal agreement between the two parties. While that policy assured to the Arabs a large part of their claims, it denied to the Jews a

turbances. Jewish land settlement has made further strides. 20,000 of the German-Jewish immigrants have gone to the villages, where they are a valuable element. They supplement the earlier colonists in extending the area of cultivation. I visited a new settlement, far in the north, close to the Syrian border, where a group of men and women, originally from Poland, Lithuania and Rumania, with some Germans also, founded a colony eight months ago. They had all been for some years in Palestine, learning their trade as agriculturists. On land which had been owned by absentee Syrian landlords, they have already built themselves wooden houses, and have begun the intensive cultivation of a large area, part of it in vegetable growing. This was the first of six settlements that have been newly-founded in that locality, giving employment now to about five hundred people, and intended ultimately for a thousand families. They are well provided with the means of defence, but have had no occasion to use them. Provision having been made on favourable terms for the few Arabs who had lightly cultivated the area, there is no local opposition. On the contrary, the inauguration of the Jewish settlement was celebrated by a feast of friendship in which both sections heartily joined. Similar colonisation is going on elsewhere.

An example of development of another order is the vast new hospital on Mt. Scopus near Jerusalem, adjoining the Hebrew University, with three hundred beds—no word containing more than six; a nurses' hostel and training school; and a medical post-graduate college and research institute—it is the last word in planning and equipment, and by far the finest medical centre in the Middle East.

### Favourable Prospects

The population of Palestine continues to expand, and is now close on a million—and a half—compared with a million at the time of the census of 1931, and about 800,000 at the end of the last war. The three chief towns, Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv, stretch their new quarters far and wide. In spite of the grave difficulties caused by war conditions, the economic situation shows signs of improvement. The favourable factors are beginning to outweigh the unfavourable. Those who are in a position to speak with knowledge all assured me that a turn for the better had lately become apparent. Although it is impossible to foresee what may be the course and the effects of future events, political and military, at the moment there undoubtedly prevails in Palestine a spirit of greater confidence. And that is a welcome difference from the conditions that I found two years ago. (World Copyright, 1940 by "Sunday Herald" and Co-operation. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.)

(This article will be followed by a second, in which Lord Samuel discusses the present conditions in the group of countries which he has been visiting—Egypt and Cyprus as well as Palestine.)

## By VISCOUNT SAMUEL Former High Commissioner for Palestine

posed villagers are no longer in danger from terrorists. With the exception of one or two towns, Arabs and Jews are mingling freely everywhere; they have resumed business relations, and are again, good neighbours in the rural districts. For there is not, and never has been, any innate antagonism between the two still greater proportion of theirs, and they are unreconciled to the present policy. The restrictions on land purchase, lately announced, have aroused a vehement opposition. Yet the Jews also—in view of the over-mastering considerations raised by the European war—have not taken up an intransigent position. If this truce continues, it is at least possible—I should hesitate to go further and say that it is probable—that a friendlier spirit may grow up between Arabs and Jews, due mainly to closer co-operation in economic affairs; and that in a few years' time the whole situation may be viewed in a different light.

### Trade Affected by War

Both sections are injured by the economic conditions created by the war. Both are largely engaged in the orange industry, and the citrus trade generally. The war has gravely affected it. The lack of tonnage to carry this, the principal product of Palestine, has reduced the export this year probably by sixty per cent., involving a loss of some £2,000,000 to the merchants, the growers and those dependent upon them. There is a difficulty also in obtaining materials for the building industry. Further, the severe restriction now imposed on Jewish immigration has checked the inflow of capital, and has hindered development of all kinds. Unemployment and partial unemployment have been widespread.

At the same time there are some favourable factors. Since the Hitler persecution began in 1933, over 70,000 Jews from Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia have come into Palestine; some among them have succeeded in bringing with them a proportion at least of such capital as they possessed, together with a great deal of industrial and professional skill and enterprise. This, added to the factors already in the country, helped to create a large volume of productive power, which is now showing its results. Scores of new industries, of many kinds, have been established; and the products of Palestine not only supply most of the home market, but are finding their way in increasing volume into Syria, Iraq, Turkey, and even India. The Iran Petroleum Company and its associates are erecting at Haifa a vast new refinery, covering half a square mile, and involving a capital expenditure of nearly £5,000,000. In its construction three thousand men are being employed—both Arabs and Jews; and there is no friction whatever between them. The Palestine Government are now providing substantial loans to the chief municipalities to enable them to undertake some very necessary works—a step that might well have been taken long ago.

### Jewish Land Settlement

In other directions developments have continued in spite of the dis-

### Sudden Charge

This has come about almost suddenly. After three years of grave disturbance, the people of Palestine breathe a sigh of relief to find themselves all at once in peace and quiet. They are like travellers at sea who, after weeks of stormy weather, wake up one morning to discover blue sky and calm water. I was told on all hands that the improvement is chiefly to be attributed to the effective action of the large military forces which had been brought to restore order. At the same time that the rebel bands had been scattered and their leaders disposed of, the funds that had fostered the revolt, whatever they may have been their origin, dried up. The Arab middle classes saw themselves faced by ruin; the Arab villages were weary of the exactions and the crimes of the terrorists; and the military came to be regarded, not as oppressors, but as rescuers from oppression. The action of the Arab princes of the neighbouring countries in advising the substitution of friendly negotiation for armed violence; the Conference that was held in London early last year; the declaration of policy by the British Government which followed—these may have contributed as well. Finally, the outbreak of the European War has made both Arabs and Jews less ready to push their controversies to extremes. Whatever their grievances against Britain and against each other, the opposition of both to Nazi ideas and policy is now a far more important consideration. Both Arabs and Jews can be relied upon to do nothing that could even remotely endanger the victory of Britain and her Allies, and invite the risk of an aggressive totalitarian Power becoming dominant in the eastern Mediterranean.

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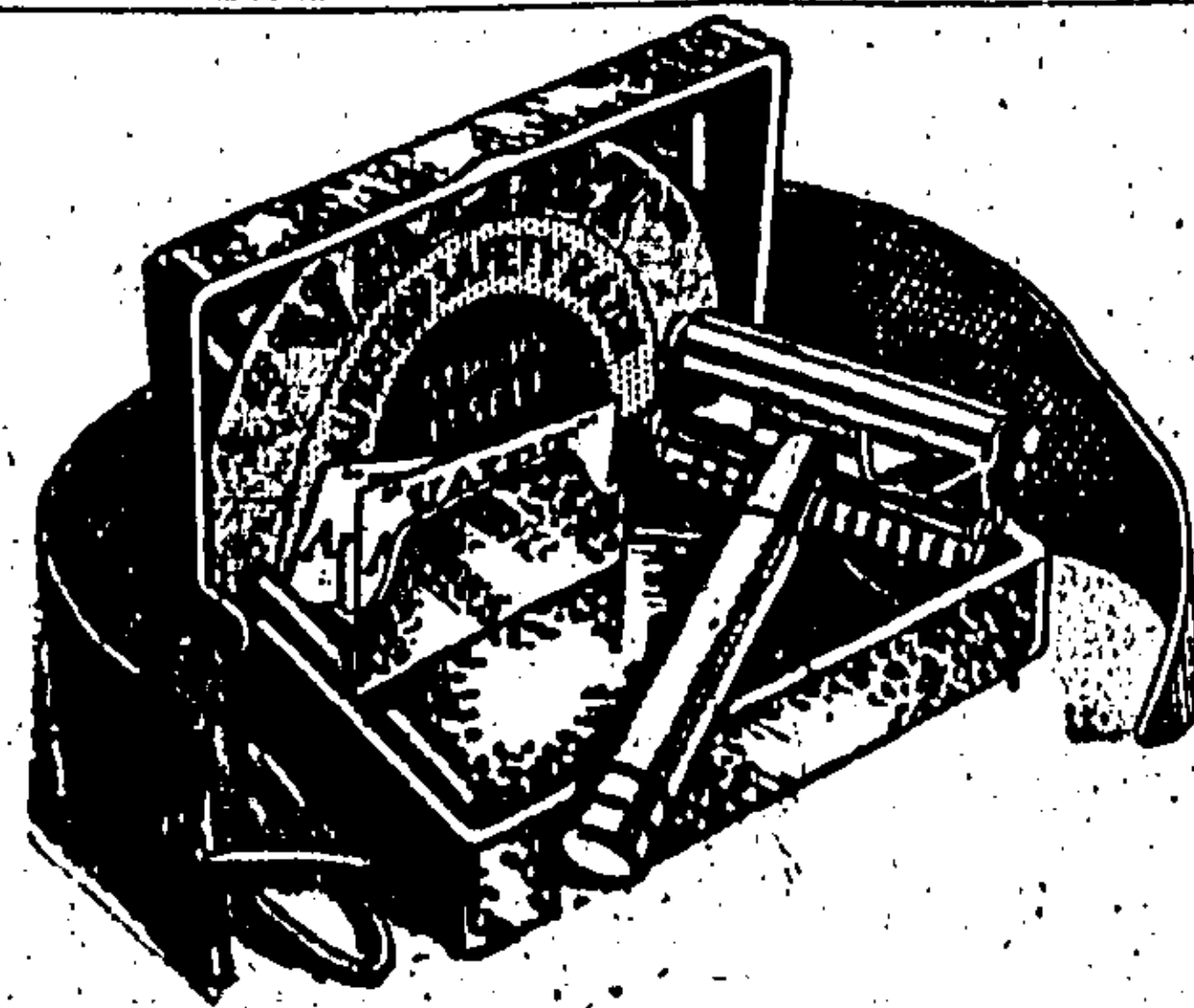


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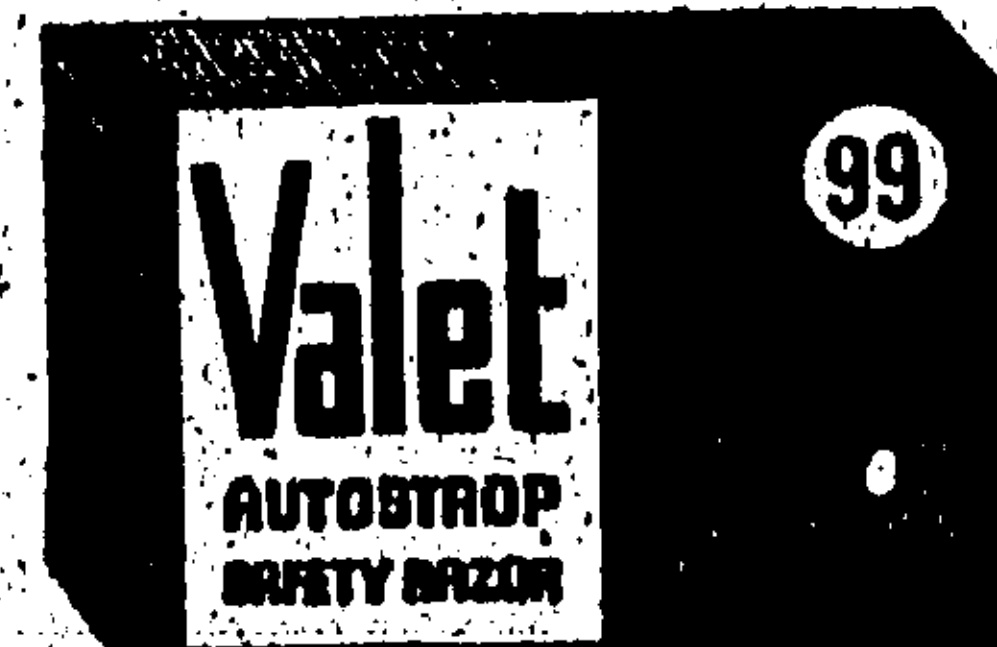


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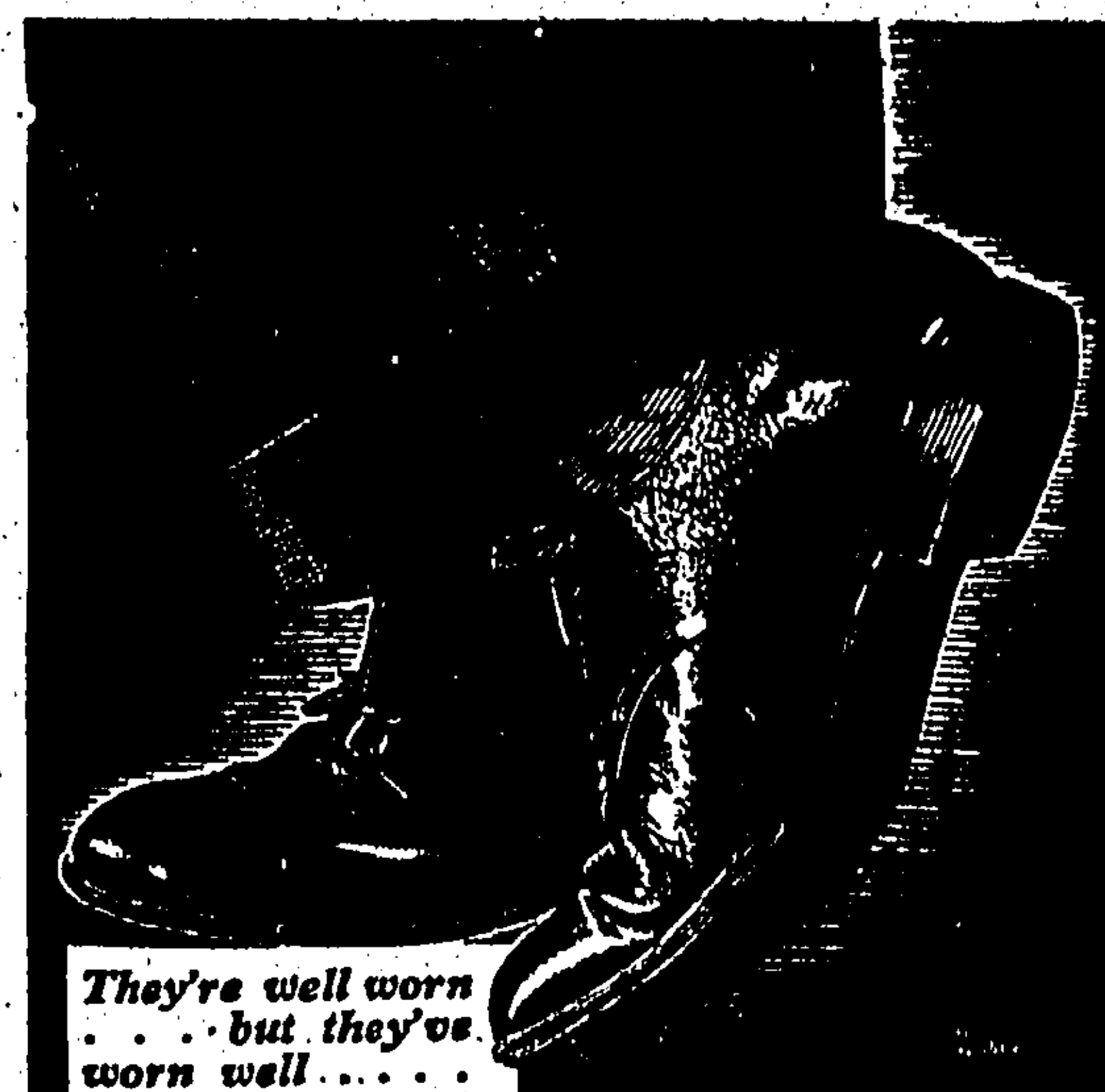
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## "CLEANING" UP IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Shanghai, Yesterday.  
Three mosquito papers have been suspended and another fined for publishing indecent stories, the Shanghai Municipal Police reveal.  
The measures are part of the S.M.C. campaign for a cleaner press.—Havas.

## GERMANS AWAIT AIR BLITZKRIEG

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

AMSTERDAM, YESTERDAY.  
AFTER THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF WAR, THE GERMAN PUBLIC ARE CONVINCED THAT THE STRUGGLE WILL GO ON, AND THAT NOTHING SHORT OF A MIRACLE CAN PREVENT A VIOLENT INCREASE IN FIGHTING AS SOON AS THE WEATHER IMPROVES.

Some people hope that the "miracle" may result from the mission of Mr. Sumner Welles, President Roosevelt's special envoy to Europe, but the mass of people have received such scant news about this mission that they are hardly able to form any picture of its possibilities.

They are not certain whether the Allies or Germany will take the initiative. But they seem sure that the drive will come in the air, and that it will be vicious.

There is no dramatizing of the dangers and no tragic apprehension. There is just a solid acceptance of the facts.

### MARCH LUCK?

Public speeches by Herr Hitler and other Nazi leaders have told the people that Germany must and will win the war.

March is traditionally Herr Hitler's "lucky month," and this belief undoubtedly has loomed large in the average man's—and perhaps the Fuehrer's—speculation on the chances of a sudden military or political triumph.

The newspapers and wireless have drummed home the claim that so far all advantages have been in Germany's favour.

For five or six weeks past there has been talk in some quarters of a victorious peace before the autumn and a huge victory parade along Unter den Linden in midsummer.—Havas.

# Italy's Relations With Germany The Brenner Meeting

The meeting of the two dictators Hitler and Mussolini at the Brenner and the visit of Ribbentrop to Rome and his request to see the Pope are indications that Germany is in need of some kind of help. Britain's relations with Italy have not been quite as happy as they were before the Fascists came into power. Until recent years in many ways Britain has looked upon Italy as a sort of god-child, for in 1859 she certainly encouraged Cavour to proceed with his plans for the unification of Italy and Cavour was certainly careful to win that sympathy by assiduous attention to the British press. His greatest success was when he won over Deane of the "Times". Garibaldi too was a great favourite in England. It was a red shirt then and not a black that was all the rage. Lots of children in England were dressed in Garibaldi's, since he was the popular hero of the day.

In addition to this traditional friendship for a country that was struggling eighty years ago for unity, independence and freedom, there has been the strong cultural and spiritual bond. Our greatest poets Shelley, Keats, Byron and Browning have found the art of Italy a source of inspiration and Italy itself a hospitable home.

Italy drew the British tourist as no other country did, for no other country had so much of historical value to offer. Rome, Florence, Venice with the galleries of masterpieces, and statuary, were richer culturally than the whole of Russia.

Britain acknowledges her indebtedness to Rome as do other nations in Europe, because its legal system is the basis of her own. Again it was from Rome that St. Augustine came to Canterbury. Legally and spiritually then we were long related to Rome, and it must not be forgotten that two thousand years ago, that is, before the Anglo-Saxons descended on Britain, the Romans were there. To-day a great many youth in English schools are more familiar with the life of Caesar than they are with that of many distinguished Englishmen.

### Rome Not Italy

It is true that Rome is not Italy. It happens as a relic, to survive in its Forum, Coliseum, Triumphal Arches; and in its Cloaca maxima in precisely the same way as Roman Britain survives in modern England. Since Fascism came into power there has not been such cordial relations between Italy and Britain partly because Fascism is a totalitarian system and out of harmony with British ideals. Then there was the Abyssinian Incident when sanctions were applied and Italy was penalised for violating her promises regarding other members of the League of Nations. Then the annexation of Albania

did not make the relations any easier. Yet there was some improvement in Italo-British relations after the Albanian Incident.

The volte face of Germany with regard to Russia and the feeble attempt to draw a distinction between anti-Comintern and anti-Bolshevik view of the Nazi party's record, made the Axis ridiculous and meaningless both for Italy and Japan, who naturally stood aside when the war started.

Russia threatens the interests of Japan in the Far East and no guarantee that Germany can offer can remove that threat, and there is the ever present fear of Russia's expansion through the Balkans to the warm waters of the Mediterranean a development that Italy would oppose with all her power.

In this direction then Italy's policy is in line with that of the Allies and of Turkey, but Germany is now trying to reassure Italy of Russia's pacific intention with reference to Rumania and the Balkans and thereby reconcile Italy with Russia.

It will not be easy however to accede to Germany's requests, partly because Italy's conscience is not quite so flexible as Germany's. It is interesting to note that the word "sincere" is an Italian term. Since *cera* means that the piece of sculpture was without a flaw and therefore was used to cover up such flaws. In other words the article was genuine and honest. Sincerity counts for something in Italy.

### Reluctance To Risk Future

There is naturally much reluctance to risk the future by engaging in what would prove to be a most costly war for Italy. In the last war Germany had a fleet which needed the incessant attention of the Allied navies. In the present war the fleets of Britain and France are very much larger and that of Germany a good deal smaller. The brunt of the naval war would therefore fall on Italy, and with armies already astride the Suez Canal and in Palestine, the loss of Abyssinia would follow almost automatically. Such a contingency is hardly likely to happen. There is a strong force pulling in the opposite direction to that which is being exerted by Hitler. A great deal of Italy's claim to fame to-day rests on the fact that the Pope happens to live in Rome, in the Vatican City. True it has in recent years become an independent territory, but in the minds of most people it is identified with Rome, and to a large extent with Italy since the idea of having a non-Italian Pope does not seem to occur to the cardinals the majority of whom again are Italians. That, however, is not so important, but obviously the Church in Italy must strenuously oppose any movement to link up with Russia even indirectly for Russia is not merely atheistic—it is actively and relentlessly opposed to the Christian religion in any form. Then Germany's record since she signed the Concordat in 1933 has been to violate that Concordat in every single one of its 34 articles. Germany has unmistakably shown that there is no God but Germany uber alles, with Hitler as the Prophet and High Priest. Wilhelm Hauser a professor in the University of Tubingen, one of the accepted intellectual leaders of Goebbels' attitude to religion may be gathered from his New Year Message:

"May the Almighty take us into His gracious protection in the New Year. We will not make it difficult for him to give us this blessing."

### INSOMNIA PROBLEMS

What a lot still remains to be discovered regarding even the simple things of life. Surprisingly little is known, for example, about the mental processes which operate in inducing sleep, and yet we spend something like a third of our lives in this unconscious state. Some people can sleep easily; others find it difficult to woo the goddess of sleep even when tucked up snugly between the sheets. The mental processes, whatever their nature, must be adaptable. City dwellers quickly learn to sleep restfully and soundly with noises of all sorts drumming in their ears. In fact, many town dwellers when staying in the country cannot sleep save fitfully, since it is too quiet. Their minds are expecting noise and when it is lacking it reacts upon their nerves and restorative sleep is out of the question.

Yes, it is nerves—strained, frayed, starved nerves—which account for the prevalence of insomnia in the modern world. When the day's activities are over there is nothing to equal a cup of Ovaltine. A cupful of this beverage soothes the tired nerves and quickly induces restful, natural restorative sleep and while in the "land of nod" it recharges the entire nervous system with vitality and energy.

We will fight and work in the spirit of that Prussian General who said: "God, if you cannot or will not help us at least don't help our enemies!"

Germany and the author of a book called *GERMANY'S NEW RELIGION*, says: "The general impression Christ makes does not suit our genius despite all its heights and depths it is and remains alien, and there can thus plainly be no other guide for a man of German Faith than the primal religious capacity of his nation."

This is not an exceptional or unimportant opinion. It is authoritative. As against the religion of Confucius, Hauser makes man no longer a responsible soul, but a creature of blood and a victim of destiny.

### BY "CIVIS"

The supremacy of the state, and the claim to superiority of race, is utterly repugnant to the Roman Catholic Church, as the rejection of individual responsibility is hateful to the Protestant.

Clearly the Roman Catholic Church cannot countenance any attempt that would increase such influences in Italy, where Fascism so far has accepted the Church as an essential and integral factor in the State system. The crucifix is still in the schools.

It would seem also that while the King of Italy is most grateful to the Fascist party for two new titles as King of Albania and Emperor of Abyssinia he is more inclined to towards the papal policy in relation to Germany and Russia than towards any active alliance with them. The interchange of visits between Pope and King and the cordial relations existing between these two important personages would seem to confirm that view. Obviously the Vatican cannot range herself against the British Empire and France, where there is religious tolerance, and support the Nazi and the Bolshevik states where there is none.

A new pact between the Vatican and the Nazis is being sought after by Ribbentrop. The Pope's answer should surely be that it is not necessary.

Why not begin to respect the old one signed in Rome by von Papen and Cardinal Pacelli in 1933. It covers everything.

Politically however Mussolini is in a strong position, for he can play one opponent off against the other, just as the Irish minority in the House of Commons before Irish independence was granted could in a parliament that was more or less balanced with Conservatives and Liberals in opposition, name its price for its support. Much therefore can be got without going to war. Italy has gained considerable territory since 1918. The territory round Trieste, the Trentino, Fiume, the Dodecanese Archipelago, Abyssinia and Albania, and so turned the Adriatic into an Italian Lake. In Africa she also acquired territory. She has fortified a small island called Pantalaris which lies on the road to Malta. Lebensraum however is a very elastic term, since Italian ambition now demands Tunis, Corsica and Nice to which the answer given by France up till now is "Come and take them, if you think that is possible."

There is no doubt that Italy under Mussolini has turned away from those arts which brought her such distinction in the sphere of culture that is through painting, music, (both vocal and instrumental), and sculpture. She is not seeking for a renewal of that tremendous creative effort of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries which gave the world such masterpieces, rather has she directed her energy into the arts of war and away from the arts of peace.

At the moment Italy is like a maiden that is being assiduously courted. She has many suitors, for she is young if not in age then in spirit, and because of that she can afford to bestow or withhold her favours as she wishes. Probably she cannot make up her mind as she musing aloof, and experience the sense of power she thus exercises. She tantalises her suitors, now seeming to yield, and again withdrawing. The taking of a decision might create she thinks a domestic upheaval and that would be very unpleasant. Like most demure in this happy position she is as Lord Fisher would say, a piece of God that passeth all understanding.

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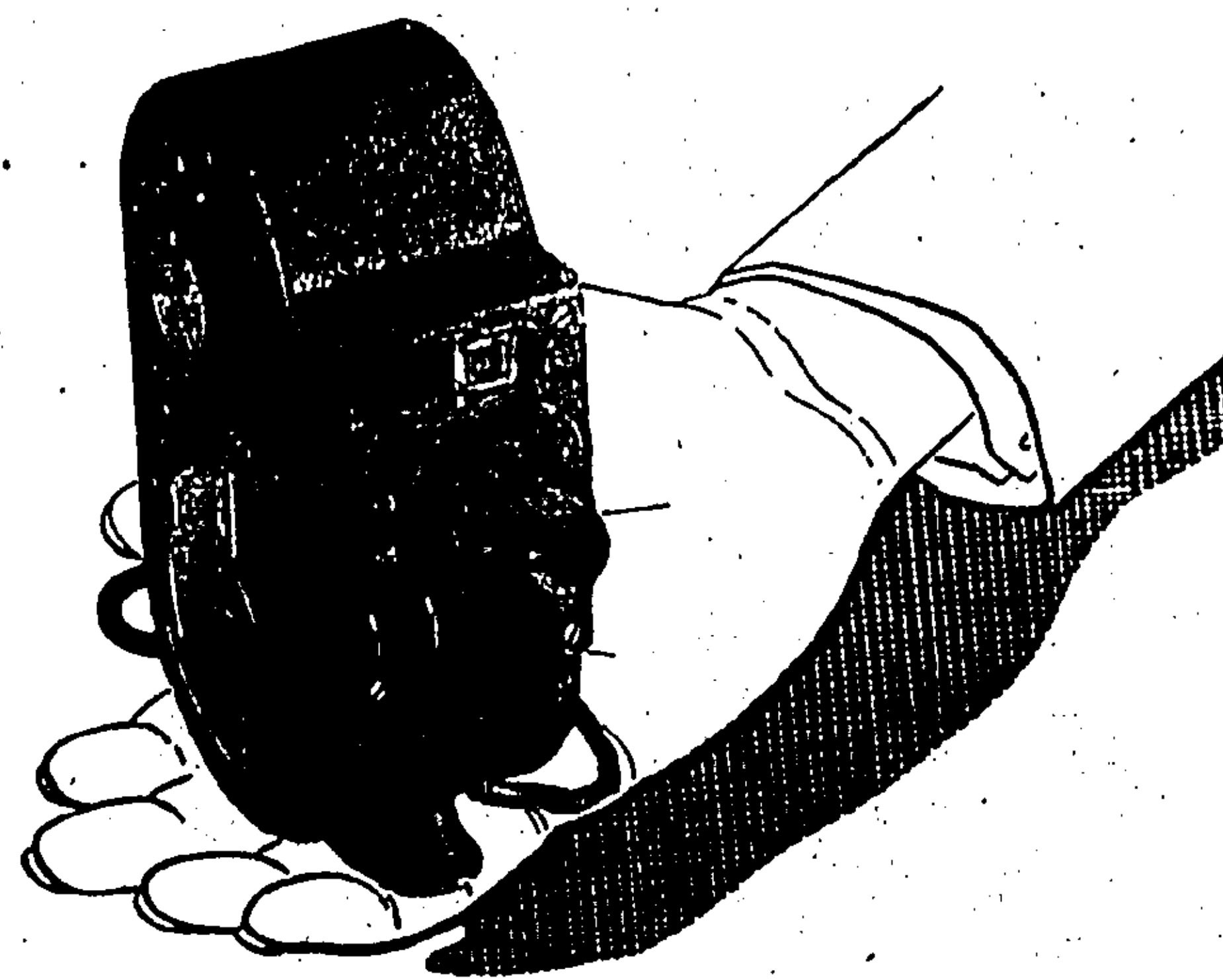
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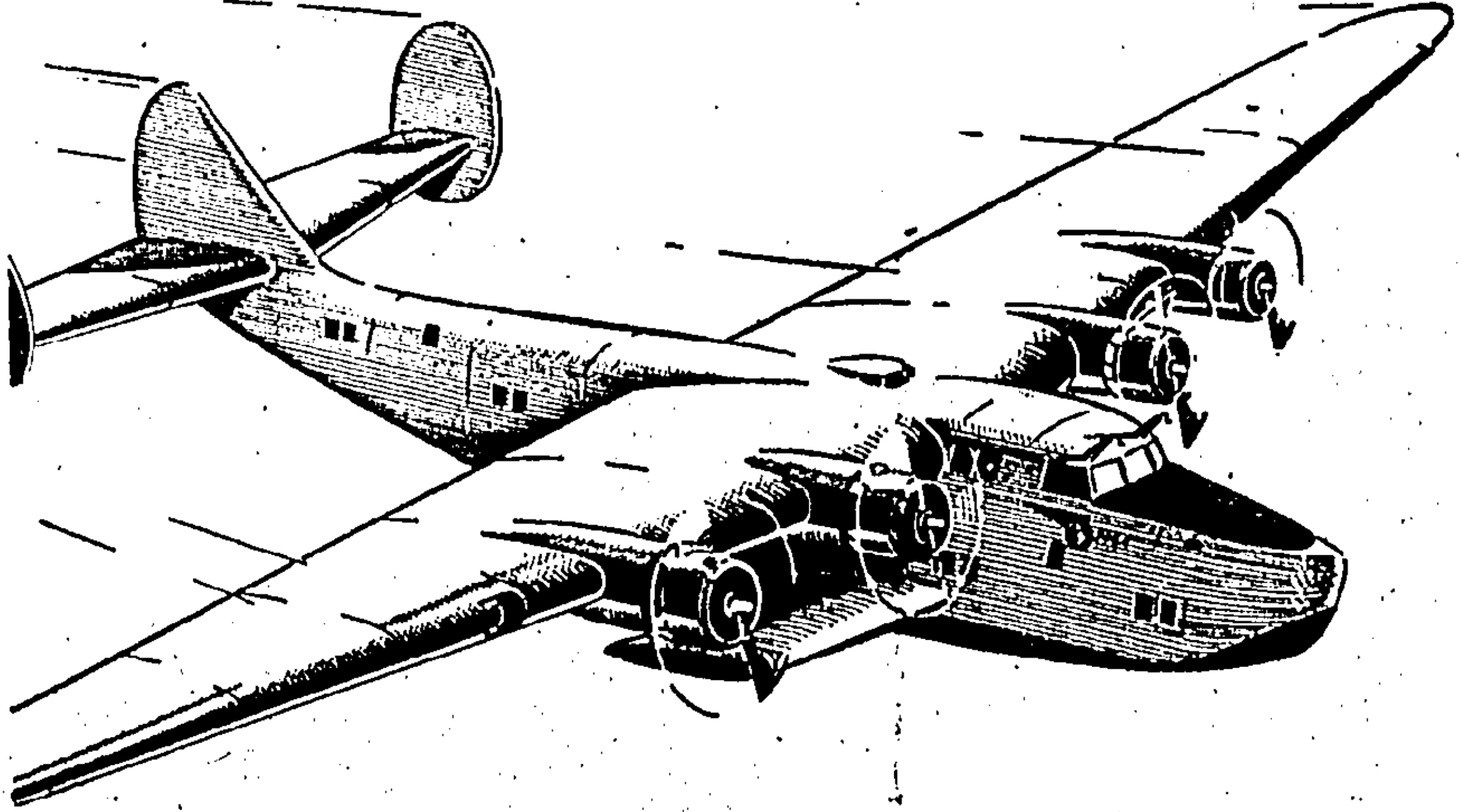
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# The Soviet's Aid To Germany Propaganda--And Facts

THE Russo-German economic agreement was widely exploited in the press of the Third Reich as a success for Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop.

The German people is now to believe that goods will stream in from Soviet Russia and that all the misery caused by the French and British blockade will be at an end. At the same time, it is impossible for the most enthusiastic propaganda to disguise the fact that this is merely a general agreement, providing, at the most, for certain eventualities whose materialisation must be left to time.

The agreement itself merely envisages an exchange of goods between Russia and Germany to the extent realised in the palm days of the Germano-Russian post-war friendship, as cultivated under the Weimar Republic. At that time the trade between the two countries totalled 1,200,000,000-RM, of which 700,000,000-RM represented German exports to Russia and 500,000,000-RM German imports from Russia. It may be questioned whether at the present moment it is possible to organise reciprocal trade on the basis of 800,000,000-RM. On the other hand it is clear that, even if this undertaking were successful, the deficiencies caused by the Allied Blockade could only be unilaterally and incompletely compensated. It is certain that Soviet Russia is in a position to supply Germany with some important commodities, but the problem remains whether the score of these consignments can be widened to any appreciable extent.

During the negotiations, which do not appear to have been invariably on the most friendly terms, it proved impossible to answer this question; the matter was therefore left open and is not to be discussed in detail even by the German experts who have been sent to Russia.

The dispatch of this mission occupies considerable space in the German press. The references are couched in terms which convey to the German public the somewhat curious impression that Russia has allowed the German Government to

send her an enormous number of engineers and specially trained workers in order to organise her industry on lines best suited to German food requirements and military needs.

The German Propaganda Ministry appears to expect this version to produce a considerable effect upon German public opinion. Adolf Hitler, so the Germans are to believe, has once

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more achieved a great victory without bloodshed. The Russians—an inferior people—have voluntarily accepted the German leadership. Therefore, several thousands of German engineers and factory workers are to leave for Russia in order to train the Russian workers. The German colonisers will in fact become the centre of activity and exercise the high command in the Russian production campaign.

Since Peter the Great, it is true, German immigrants have acted as pioneers in certain branches of Russian economy. Under the Czars Alexander and Nicholas, the Germans played a considerable part in the Russian electric and armaments industries. But the result of these German services was invariably subject to discussion. They only obtained recognition in small circles and encountered ever-increasing objections on the part of the wider public. Among other things, there can be no doubt whatever that, before the last war, this opposition to German penetration was largely fostered by the Anglo-Franco-Russian entente.

It may in fact be queried whether Red Czar Stalin has the slightest intention of allowing German colonisers to command the all-powerful Soviet Bureaucracy.

On the other hand, it is certain that, even if his intentions were such, the German mission would have the same fate as their countrymen who left for Russia with far-reaching concessions after the Rapallo

Treaty. One fine day, all the rights and interests that they had acquired were purely and simply confiscated.

But, above all things, it is extremely doubtful whether the transformation of Russian industry conceived by many Germans is within the realms of possibility. The great Russian factories employ somewhat cumbersome methods. This is well illustrated by the result obtained in their aircraft plants. There was, it is true, a time when the Russian aircraft production was looked upon as a model. At that time, the production was concentrated on certain types which then counted as the most modern. But subsequent progress has been of little account; this is the opinion of experts, including the American flyer, Colonel Lindbergh.

There are certain reasons for this stagnation. The Russian industrial production is in the hands of workers whose skill is not based on a long tradition, but is the result of intensive training of the individual. Even the Stakhanov system has not made it possible to achieve any important developments in the methods of the broad masses of the Russian workers. The smallest change in organisation causes considerable disturbances in production. Moreover, the Russian factories are adjusted to mass production, so that any change in the type manufactured demands the complete reorganisation of dies and machinery at an immense cost in money and time. Therefore, there are but few branches of industrial production in Russia which lend themselves to rapid transformation, even at the hands of the most skillful organisers. Then again, Germany has none too many good engineers and specialised workers. It is entirely improbable that she is sending a sufficient number of them to Russia, even for a short period.

The missions which it appears are, in fact, to be sent to Russia have in all probability a far less important task to perform than the German people is led to believe. Herr von Ribbentrop pressed forward the conclusion of the agreement in order to announce a success to the world.

## Selling Out The Jews

DURING the world war, for the first time in their long history, the Jews were to be envied. They were courted by both sides: they had some bargaining power. The result was the offer to them by the Western Allies of a National Home in Palestine.

To-day they are helpless; they cannot bargain. The new decrees regulating land settlement reflect the impotence of the Jews.

The explanation is simple. The war may spread to the East. In that event, this Government wishes the support of the Muslim world against the Soviet Union and Germany. It must, therefore, win over the Arabs.

The regulations just published, which limit the right of the Jews to buy land, are part of a wider policy of the same tendency. Immigration has been cut down though the need of the Jews for a refuge was never

so pressing.

It is proposed, in due course, to grant full independence to an Arab State, in which the Jews will be a permanent minority. Finally, their offer to raise a considerable army for service with the Allies has been cold-shouldered.

The new land policy can be set out in a few words. Jews may, in future, buy land freely from Arabs only in certain towns and in a narrow strip of land along the coast, known as the "maritime plain."

Over the greater part of Palestine, the "hill country," any sale of land by Arabs to Jews is absolutely forbidden. In a third zone such sales may, in exceptional cases, be authorised by the Government under conditions so unusual that they will rarely occur.

It is broadly true, then, that the Jewish National Home can be expanded only in one of two ways. The Jews can become in Palestine what they are in Europe—a race of townsmen, the fate from which they as-

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pired to escape. But a limited number may still settle along the seashore, if they can induce the Arabs to sell the lands they still retain in what was once the home of the Philistines.

That is virtually the only hope left open. The National Home has been shrinking steadily for twenty years. It once included not only the whole of Palestine but the big and sparsely populated area of Transjordan as well. Now the seashore is left.

The case of the Jews is not easy to answer. In the first place, what the British Government has done is in contradiction with the terms of the Mandate. That is the verdict which the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations has formally registered.

To be sure, Mr. MacDonald offers to consult the League Council at some date in the future, but in the meanwhile he dispenses with that formality and even gives the ordinance retrospective force.

In the second place, the ordinance offends common sense. Most of the land in the big area reserved for the Arabs is classified officially as "uncultivable." So it is, and so it will remain, if the Jews are excluded. But with enterprise, science, and capital much of it could be cultivated and closely settled.

These gifts and resources the Jews possess; the Arabs lack them. In fact, most of the land that the Jews have rendered fertile was originally "uncultivable." They found a sand-dune and made an orange-grove.

It is no injury to the Arabs that the Jews should be allowed to perform these miracles. Experience has proved that where the Jews are the population rapidly increases. It shares in the heightened tempo and the rising standard of life.

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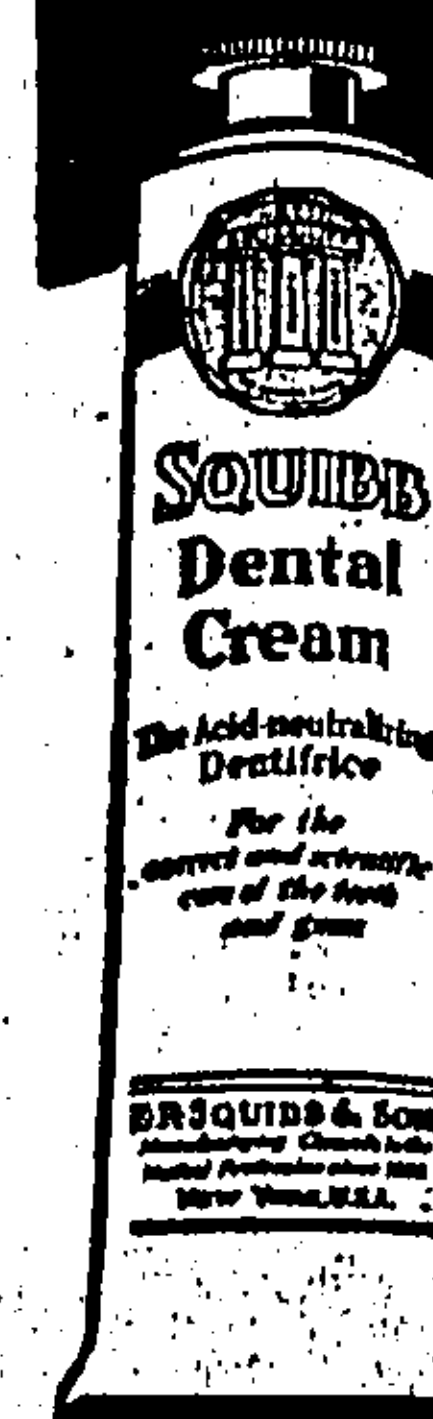
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# NAZI U-BOATS SINK SEVEN NEUTRAL SHIPS

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London, Yesterday.

GERMANY'S UNRESTRICTED warfare against neutrals has resulted in the sinking of no less than seven of their ships on Wednesday and Thursday of this week alone.

The ships were the Danish Bothal (2,109 tons), the Danish Viking (1,158 tons), the Danish Christiansborg (3,270 tons), the Danish Minsk (1,229 tons), the Danish Charkow (1,026 tons), the Danish Algier (1,654 tons) and the Norwegian Svinta (1,267 tons).

It is known definitely that all these ships, with the possible exception of the Danish Charkow, were torpedoed without warning by German U-boats. The Charkow has disappeared in a position close to that in which the Minsk was torpedoed so it is almost certain that the Charkow fell victim to the same U-boat.

The Norwegian ship Svinta, which was torpedoed without warning and sunk yesterday, suffered damage during the German air raid on shipping on Wednesday evening.

None of these seven ships was on convoy.

A woman passenger is among many whose lives have been sacrificed by these U-boat attacks made in defiance of the rules of sea warfare.

## FIFTEEN MISSING

Fifteen men are missing in the case of the Bothal and Viking. Five survivors from the Bothal and two from the Viking were found clinging to a raft and rescued.

Eleven of the crew of the Minsk are missing, nine men having been saved.

Twenty survivors, including one woman passenger, from the Algier have been landed. Four of the crew of this ship and one woman passenger were drowned.

The Germans have attempted to intimidate neutral shipping from seeking the protection of Allied convoys by declaring that ships in convoy would be subject to attack but that instructions had been issued to the German forces to respect the immunity of neutral ships sailing alone so long as they complied with the requirements of international law.

## NO CHANCE

None of these ships were given a chance to establish their neutral registration or to submit to other formalities; they were sent to the bottom of the sea ruthlessly, without warning and without provision for the safety of passengers and crew.

By contrast, when the German ship Heddernheim was sunk on Thursday by a British submarine the report shows the first steps taken to ensure the safety of the crew.

Neutral shipowners can hardly fail to draw the conclusion that it is better to incur the displeasure of the Germans by accepting convoy, where they are practically safe from German threats, than to rely on the assurances of the Nazi authorities which have been once more proved to be worthless. — British Wireless.

## Nazi Claims

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Berlin, Yesterday. During the past few days, 42,694 tons of enemy and neutral merchantmen were sunk by the Nazis, claiming a German High Command communiqué. The inclusion of "and neutral" is noteworthy.

The communiqué says "nothing particular" occurred on the Western Front, but that, despite the weather, Nazi planes reconnoitred the northern part of the North Sea.—Havas.

### THE NAZI SNOWBALL

LONDON, YESTERDAY. GERMAN PROPAGANDA CONTINUES TO EMULATE, IF NOT OUTDO, THE PROVERBIAL SNOWBALL WHICH GAINS IN SIZE AS IT RUSHES DOWN-HILL.

During Wednesday's attack on a convoy, five Allied and neutral ships were damaged. None were sunk while in convoy.

The Nazis, however, promptly claimed to have sunk 42,000 tons of shipping and to have damaged 11,000 tons more. Last night, the figure jumped to 48,000 tons.

Earlier, the Nazis admitted that one plane, shot down by the naval escort, had "failed to return."

Last night, however, they announced that the raider had returned home "after sinking a 6,000-ton ship." They did not explain where the plane has been since Wednesday.—Reuter.

### RIBBENTROP ON A NEW MISSION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday. According to the Italian press, the Nazi Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, is expected in Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital, shortly. The trip is connected with the expected German-Soviet action in the Balkans aiming at the closing of south-east Europe to any Allied influence.—Havas.

## To Be Received By Pope

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
 Vatican City, Yesterday. Count Teleki will be received by the Pope next week.—Havas.



THE QUEEN AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE — Her Majesty the Queen visited St. James's Palace on the afternoon of March 6 where she inspected sections of the Prisoners of War Department. Photo shows the Queen inspecting parcels of provisions in the packing department. (Copyright, Fox).

### FINNISH EMBARGO ON EXPORTS

Helsinki, Yesterday. The Finnish Government has placed an embargo on exports. It is pointed out that this step has been taken merely to provide for means of control and does not mean a stoppage of exports entirely.—Reuter.

### MOSCOW CRITICISES SWEDEN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

COPENHAGEN, YESTERDAY. A VIOLENT ATTACK AGAINST "REACTIONARY PARTIES" IN SWEDEN WAS BROADCAST BY THE MOSCOW RADIO, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED NORWEGIAN/FINNISH/SWEDISH DEFENCE ALLIANCE.

The announcer expressed doubts whether Finland would "be drawn into such a combine or prefer to obtain favours by living at peace with her great neighbour."

The announcer said the alliance would be an "anti-Russian defence union." Sweden, he said, had long been planning such an "anti-Russian military pact."—Havas.

### SINKING OF 'ALGIER'

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Copenhagen, Yesterday. The Danish ship Algier, 1,650 tons, was torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic, it is now learned. She disappeared beneath the waves in three minutes.

One woman and four of the crew were killed.—Havas.

London, Yesterday. It is now learned that the Algier had all sailing lights on and the painted Danish flag on her sides were illuminated. Her crew report she was torpedoed without warning.

Twenty survivors, including a stewardess, had to jump into the sea, the ship sank so fast. They drifted around in open boats on the Atlantic for 10½ hours before being rescued and brought into a British port.—Reuter.

## FRENCH CREDIT VOTED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday. Military credits for the second quarter of this year were ratified by the Senate by 298 unanimous votes.—Havas.

### SOVIET OFFICIALS AT HANGOE

Helsinki, Yesterday.

Twenty Soviet officials arrived at Hangoe by air at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. They were met by Finnish representatives, who were to hand it over formally after midnight.

Hangoe will then be practically an empty city, for all Finnish civilians have left.

So completely deserted is it that the Russians expressed the hope that Finnish engineers would maintain light, water and food supplies until the Soviet occupation is complete.—Reuter.

### NAZIS DON'T LIKE M. REYNAUD

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Berlin, Yesterday. The Nazis don't seem to like M. Reynaud's Government.

In their polite, gentle way, they refer to it as "a branch of the bureaucratic gang of war-mongering extremists."

The Nazi official "news"-paper "Völkische Beobachter" sees in the new French Government a sign that "France will be still more dominated by Great Britain, financial circles and Jews intent on the destruction of the Reich."—Havas.

### J.R. YOUNG CASE OVER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Tokyo, Yesterday. James R. Young, Far Eastern manager of International News, has been released on bail after getting a suspended sentence of six months. This is his first taste of freedom in 2½ months, and he immediately went to his home in the Imperial Hotel.

He will remain on bail pending a decision whether an appeal will be accepted.

In passing sentence, the Judge took note of extenuating circumstances in the fact that Mr. Young is an American, and America is a country where great freedom of speech prevails.—Havas.

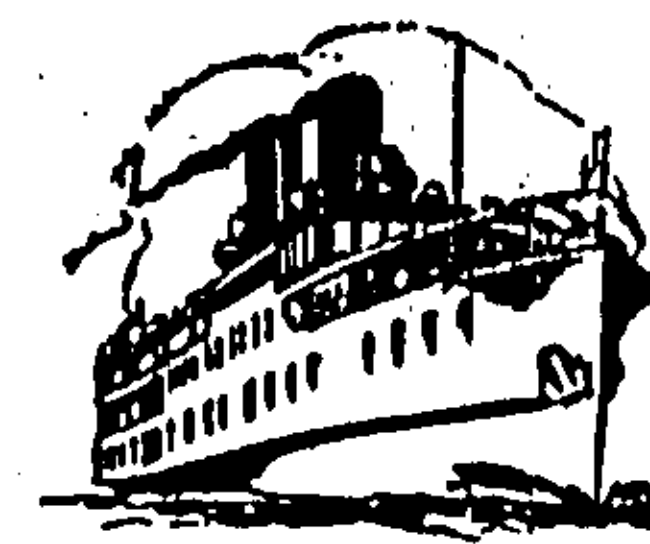
### HEDDERNHEIM'S CREW ON WAY HOME

Copenhagen, Yesterday. The crew of the German ship Heddernheim have now left Germany; they stole their first engine, is a prisoner in the British submarine.

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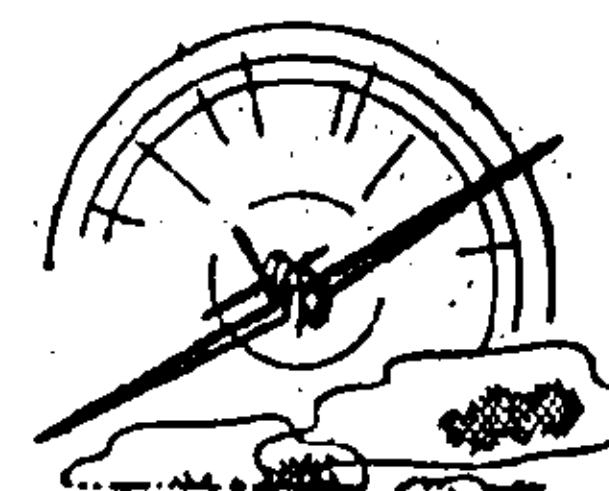
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## FAR VIEW BEATEN

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Albury (Mr. Boy) was posted for the Albury Handicap, but was later withdrawn and 13 faced the starter, Mr. L. L. Lang's Far View (Mr. Pih), Hood's Hill Derby and Australian Ponies Champions winner, being a hot favourite, followed by Mr. L. Dumbard's Baffin Bay (Mr. Hearne), Macao's Chun Bros. Triumphant Day (Mr. H. M. Botelho) and Mrs. Grassell's Sapper (Mr. Davis).

The start saw Princess Bridge, out for the first time, and Poteland Drive left badly, and they were never in the race. Chiff went out into the lead, followed by Devonian, Australian Diamond and Far View, but at the foot of the hill Devonian had fallen back. Australian Diamond led into the back straight, but was displaced at the Rock by Far View, which was followed by Lancashire Clip and Australian Diamond.

Mr. Davis commenced riding Sapper at the 11-mile gate and the pony responded well, being only a short distance behind Far View on entering the home straight. Far View showed signs of tiring over the last 200 yards and Sapper had enough left to secure the lead 150 yards from the post and win by a neck and no infling on Far View its first defeat at the Valley.

Far View was the last unbeaten pony of this year.

Sapper came up with a rush over the last furlong and surprisingly filled third place, ahead of Baffin Bay and Triumphant Day.

Sapper, ridden by Mr. Davis in Mr. Encarnacao's absence, paid \$52.20 for a win and the 45 tickets on Sapper received \$43.10 each.

**DUPONT DAY WINS EASILY**  
There was a slightly larger attendance following the time interval and this was revealed in the betting on the Hongkong Handicap first section, the pool being up nearly \$5,000.

Mr. L. Dumbard's Dupont Day (Mr. Hearne), a winner last time out, was made favourite and it was as it looked. Emily (Mr. Poy), three lengths being the official verdict. Humdrum Eve was first out of the sale, but Dupont Day was leading by the time the ball stands were reached, followed by Humdrum Eve and Bear Claw. At the Rock Humdrum Eve began to falter, and it was soon by the sixteenth, Dupont Day leading, followed by Bear Claw and Conquering Time. Mr. Li Po-chun's candidate displaced Bear Claw at the 11-mile gate but Dupont Day led away badly. Dupont Day led into the home straight by a comfortable margin and Rose Emily and Avon both passed Bear Claw before the public stand was reached, and Mrs. Dumbard's crack, the second favourite, finished fourth, while Humdrum Eve, third favourite, was well down the small field.

**UNPLACED**  
Mr. Macgregor's Strathmore (Mr. Black) was made favourite for the Sub-Griffins Handicap, but it could not beat a weight in the field of six starters. S.L.K.'s Celtic Star (Mr. Tai), second favourite, won by a short head in driving rain. Guinness Time being second and Clowner third, 2½ lengths behind. Bessy, last in the early stages, was fourth.

Celtic Star ran second to Guinness Time in the earlier stages and took the lead near the public stand.

**PROTEST UPHOLD**  
Visibility was very poor for the Rose-hill Stakes, for which Lucky's Lady (Mr. Needa) went out not favoured, only to be beaten by a neck by Dr. "Lew" Reidy's Many Thanks (Mr. Davis), which paid \$30.20 for its win. Rowan, second favourite, was third and Flying Dutchman, which went out into a big lead at the start, was a poor fourth.

A protest was lodged after the race and the Stewards later announced that Many Thanks had been disqualified for boring and the official result of the race was:

1. Lucky Lady  
2. Rowan  
3. Flying Dutchman  
**FAVOURITES FALTER**  
Willynilly (Mr. Chao) badly disappointed

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## HONGKONG FOOTBALL TEAM EXPECTED TO SECURE VICTORY GAME STARTS AT 4 P.M.

THE fourth game in the Interport football series between Hong Kong and Macao will be played this afternoon on the Club ground, Happy Valley, commencing at 4 p.m. Hong Kong are fielding a formidable team and should win.

This series started four years ago, when football was not in such an advanced stage in Macao, and was between Macao and a team from the Junior Division of the Hong Kong Football League, but Macao won the first two encounters so easily that the following year saw a First Division side sent to Macao.

Last year, under the management of Mr. W. E. Hollands, Hong Kong won for the first time, by two clear goals.

For to-day's game Hong Kong has chosen a good side, consisting of senior players the majority of whom have not yet represented the Colony in an Interport against Shanghai or Saigon.

In the Taiwan Bay Handicap first section, failing to place and being a poor fourth. This time (Mr. Wei), second favourite, was a poor third to Unicorn's Phoenix (Mr. Liang) and Manetta's Chatterbox (Mr. Black), which coaxed for first place after a thrilling neck and neck struggle over the last 200 yards.

Sunlight View set a fast pace but shot its bolt at the Rock and dropped back very quickly. West Lake was always in a challenging position but lacked a strong finish.

Phoenix paid \$30.00 for its success while Mr. Black's first win rewarded backers with \$21.80 and \$13.50.

That old-timer Valorous (Mr. Trevelen) was made favourite for the Sub-Griffins Handicap and it justified the confidence placed in it in this event for novice riders, winning over the last 100 yards by 1½ lengths from Medium Star, fourth favourite, while 1½ lengths behind was The Tigress, which paid \$40.00 to each of 51 supporters. Heddon was fourth and the highly fancied Gordale and Lancashire Chap finished nowhere.

Heavy rain was falling when 10 ponies went out in the Sydney Handicap, the grass track being almost completely under water down the home straight.

Mr. En Tong-sen's Springhurst (Mr. Poy) was made favourite and won comfortably by a short head in driving rain. Guinness Time being second and Clowner third, 2½ lengths behind. Bessy, last in the early stages, was fourth.

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## RESULTS TO-DATE

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1938 Hong Kong	3	Macao	5
1939 Macao	0	Hong Kong	2

A. V. Gosano and Chan Tak-fai two of the original selections, are not available, the former being still on the injured list while the latter stood down because of the strain of playing three games in succession.

Those who have played in the League game yesterday and will be leading the Chinese attack to-morrow in "The Hong Kong Sunday Herald" Charity Cup Final against Scotland in place of Lee Wai-tang, who is injured.

Macao are sending down a strong side and include a number of Chinese players in their eleven. Several of their players have played in the local League, among whom are Lau Hing-choi, Lau Chung-san, A. Joao-lho and Boyes.

Following are the teams:—  
MACAO—A. Santos; Chu Fu-hon and A. Colaco; Lau Hon-san, Lau Ching-to and Magalhães; Rego, Joao-lho, Carvalho, Lau Chung-san and Ip Pou-lou.

Reserves—Boyes, Cordova, Lau Cheung-kuan and Leong Chui-wah.

HONG KONG—Kau Hing-hon; Roughly and Tsang Chung-wan; Kwok Yung-kee, Bright (Capt.) and Wilkinson; Lee Pao-ke, H. Gosano, F. Fowler, Kaim-nai and Ip Pak-wah.

Reserves—S. Tsang, A. J. Hussain, Nicholas and Maxwell.

## JUNIOR SHIELD MATCH

Police and 30th R.A. have agreed to play their postponed Junior Semi-Final Shield tie to-morrow at Sookunpoo at 2 p.m.

The other Semi-Final, between South China and Royal Engineers, will probably be played on Tuesday.

The Final will be played next Saturday.

## 'HERALD' INTERNATIONAL CUP FINAL TO-MORROW

A CAPACITY CROWD is expected at Sookunpoo to-morrow when the Final of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup competition, between China, holders, and Scotland, will be played.

China has had a hard passage to the Final this year as in the earlier rounds she was fully extended by both Ireland and Portugal, and in the last game was extremely lucky to win.

China is endeavouring to win the Cup for the third time in succession and so establish a record. No nation has yet done so though Scotland and China have in previous years won twice running.

Scotland, who accounted for England in the Semi-Final, is fielding the same team with the exception of Williamson, McEwan and Hosack, all of whom are on the sick list. Purnaby and Birrell have been brought into the intermediate line, while Coull of Police will lead the attack in place of Hosack.

Birrell who plays for Engineers, is better known as a Rugby player, but he is also a good soccer half-back.

At the conclusion of the game the

Cup will be presented by Mrs. G. C. Burnett, wife of the Manager of "The Hong Kong Sunday Herald."

**CHINA**  
Cheung Wing-chol

Lee Ting-sang  
Lee Kwok-wai

Boong Ling-sing  
Hau Ng-seng  
(Ca.)

Leung Wing-chiu

Chung Yung-sun  
Fung King-cheong

Chan Tak-fai  
Lai Shui-wing  
Hau Ching-to

Manager—Mr. Lam Chung-ho.

Reserves—  
Yeung Chung-wan  
Lo Wai-kuan  
Yeung Shui-yok  
Ip Pak-wah

**SCOTLAND**  
Duncan

Blackburn  
Bone

Birrell  
Parnaby  
Clarke

Munro  
Pryde  
Coull  
Forrier  
Tait

Manager—Mr. W. Pryde.

Reserves—  
Gordon  
Dignan  
Fraser

## ALL DEPENDS ON WEATHER

Mr. A. E. P. Guest, Hon. Secretary of Hong Kong Hockey Association, informed us late last night that if weather conditions do not permit the Interport hockey game to start at 10.30 a.m. the game will be postponed till noon, and, similarly, to 2.30 p.m. if necessary. Should play be impossible at 2.30 p.m. the match will be postponed till tomorrow, at 10.30 a.m.

## ROUGH TRIP FOR INTERPORT PLAYERS

The Macao Interport soccer and hockey teams arrived here yesterday evening after a very rough voyage.

The hockey team was met on the pier by Mr. A. E. P. Guest, acting Hon. Secretary of Hong Kong Hockey Association, and Mr. C. Braga of Macao Hockey Association, who arrived in the Colony yesterday morning.

The footballers were met by Messrs. C. A. Goldenberg, C. Guim-gam, L. F. Souza and J. Ford.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances, Macao were unable to bring two of their best soccer players, while Kong Sing-keng, Eastern full-back, has been transferred and is also unavailable.

The soccer team consists of 16 players under the management of Mr. A. Concencino, assisted by Mr. J. Moronha.

His Excellency the Governor will lead a United Services Recreation Club team in a friendly lawn bowls match at Club de Recreio on Saturday next commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Following will represent U.S.R.C.:  
H. H. Williams, Lt. R. W. Rowell, A. C. Milne and Dr. I. Newton (Skip).

P. Younghusband, Major R. Levett, A. Hubbard and H.E. the Governor (Skip).

Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews, Lt.-Col. J. Moffat, Col. E. S. White and Major R. Rosenbloom (Skip).

Dr. J. T. Smalley, J. A. Fraser, L. A. R. Duncan and A. T. Moss (Skip).

Mr. Clement Braga, the manager, arrived here yesterday morning and, not unnaturally, was rather depressed with the weather. "My team," he said, "is used to a hard, fast ground and rarely do so well when difficulty is found in keeping the feet. Had the weather been different, I should have felt completely confident of maintaining our record of never having been beaten here, but now, however, we shall not fail for want of trying, and Hong Kong will be advised not to take us lightly."

Mr. Braga revealed that as late as Friday evening there was considerable doubt as to the ability of four members of the team to make the trip. These men are in the Army, and it was feared that military duties might necessitate them staying in the Portuguese port.

Asked if this would have meant the abandonment of the Interport, Mr. Braga said that the team would have travelled under any circumstances.

**SOUND COLONY SIDE**  
Little fault can be found with the Hong Kong selections, nominated after a decisive win over Kurnon Rides on Thursday. The team is strong in all departments, with the defence, on paper, appearing to be somewhat better than the attack.

There are no fewer than seven old caps in the team so whatever else is lacking it will not be experience.

The newcomers to Interport hockey are V. M. Benwell (Club), one of the Colony's leading custodians for many seasons, Datta Ram, the hard-hitting Army full-back, N. B. M. Whitley (Club), a cool player, equally good at spilling and distribution, and Sgt. Homburg, (Engineers), who has been the Colony's leading goal-scorer during the current season.

Hong Kong have not done better than draw against Macao in the Colony.

**THE TEAMS**  
HONG KONG—V. M. Benwell (Club); P. Slicky (Army) and Datta Ram (Army); Capt. G. W. Hook (Army), W. A. Reed (Club) (Captain) and N. B. M. Whitley (Club); S. A. Fowler (Club), Lt. E. V. E. V.

**TO-DAY'S SOFTBALL**  
Following is to-day's Softball League programme:

Recreio "B" v. Philippine Chinese (Recreio, 12 noon)  
Chinese Baseball Club v. Filipino Club (C.B.A., 12.30 p.m.)

Liga v. H.K. Ball Club (C.B.A., 1.45 p.m.)

Following will represent Club de Recreio:—  
Team—Jackie Noronha, Mike Mendonca, Al Alvarez, Roberto Marques, Lichi Lus, Totto Prata, Conito Perreira, Tony Alvaro, Johnny Fonseca, Zinho Gosano and L. G. Gosano.

**H.K**



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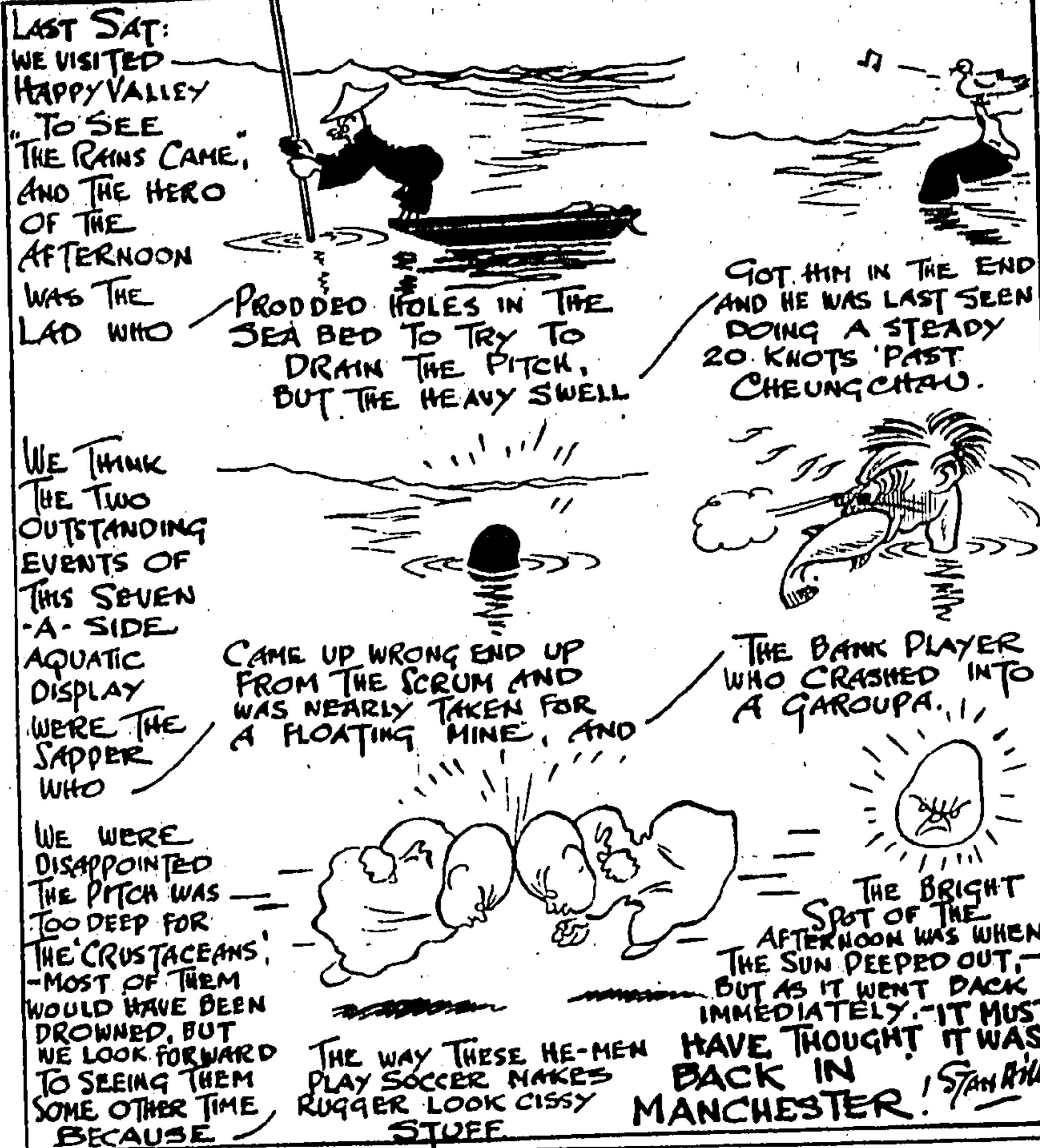
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11.00 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. John's Cathedral.

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12.29 p.m.—The Don Cossacks Choir. Dance Song (Reigenlied); Song of the Cossacks (Kosakenlied); Barynja; On The River Kasanka (arr. Dobrowen)... Conducted by Serge Jaroff. Unaccompanied.

12.39 p.m.—Violin Solos by Fritz Kreisler.

A May Breeze (Songs Without Words—Mendelssohn); London-derry Air (arr. Kreisler)... with Piano accomp. by Michael Rautschon.

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Fair Rosemary (Kreisler); Rondino (On A Theme by Beethoven—Kreisler)... with Piano accomp. by Carl Lamson.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Studio—Another "Musical Cocktail" by Erich Porges (Piano) (from Jimmy's Kitchen).

1.23 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude. "Die Fledermaus"—Selection (J. Strauss)... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Gounod's "Faust" Act III. Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Siebel, village youth, in love with Marguerite... Doris Vane (Soprano); Faust... Heddie Nash (Soprano); Meghastophos... Robert Easton (Bass); Marguerite... Miriam Lucette (Soprano); Martha, Marguerite's friend... Muriel Brunskill (Contralto); with Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the Symphony Orchestra.

2.30 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—"The Colonel's Been Murdered At Last", A Crazy Comedy.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury".

8.30 p.m.—Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.

8.45 p.m.—Talk on "Our Blockade of German Exports" recorded by Professor J. L. B. Barry.

9.00 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra. Glow Worm Idyll (Lincke); Hearts and Flowers—Intermezzo (Tobani); Cavatina (Raff); Solemn Melody (Walford Davies)... with Organ by Herbert Dawson.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Despatch from the Front".

9.45 p.m.—Haydn—Quartet in G Major, Op. 64, No. 4. Pro Arte Quartet.

10.05 p.m.—Handel—Water Music Suite. Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.20 p.m.—Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

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## SHORT STORY By GERALD BULLETT

It was understood in the Croop household that Grandpa Boydel must be put away. The hour had struck, and the family were making ready to conduct the old man to his destiny.

Alice, an undersized child of eleven, bent over a basin half filled with dirty water, slaver Maudie at her elbow waiting with dull-eyed patience to use the greasy flannel.

Charles the younger, with an arm round the shoulder of his twin-brother Alfie, stood staring at the unwilling cause of this excitement; and their mother, while feeding her baby girl, kept a sharp eye on everything that went forward.

Grandpa Boydel was old, older than his age. Rheumatism had gnarled and bent him, working unseen, with subtle fingers, to make of that cunning mechanism of bone and muscle and sinew a conventional emblem of old age. But there was still eighteen months to run before he would be qualified for a State pension, and it had long been a matter of anxious calculation for his daughter, Mrs. Croop, whether that "little bit of extra" was worth so much waiting for.

The phrase was a euphemism born of the fact that Liz Croop had seen better days, days when an extra ten shillings a week had not been quite the gigantic sum, the impossible affluence, that it now seemed to her.

But since the day when a Covent Garden porter had married her she had not had much time for looking back, though enough for the cultivation of an habitual self-pity. "A harder-working little woman you wouldn't find," she told the social worker who called to inquire after her comfort. "And he goes on at me something crool."

With eight children, with Grandpa, and with Charley himself when he was not otherwise occupied, she lived in two rooms of a large brick warren on the south side of Liberty-street in Whitechapel. Two rooms, when, but for Grandpa, they might perhaps have made do with one. There was no chance of that now, for another little Croop would soon arrive, and eight in one room was more than the authorities permitted.

Grandpa was now impossible. For weeks past he had sat moodily in his corner, lost in a dull dream. His large blue eyes were empty of recognition; his hands groped aimlessly in front of him; he seldom answered

when spoken to, and then without intelligence.

In short, Grandpa had lost his wits, declared Mrs. Croop, and there was no doing anything with him. He must be put away.

"He'll be ever so nice and comfortable where he's going," she assured her children. "Stop that snivelling, Alfie, or I'll skin the back of yer!" She cuffed Alfie vigorously. "Ever so comfortable, he will. Won't you, Grandpa? Eh? Got your bent on, Grandpa? Thass right."

Muddled but not too unhappy, heedless of everything external and quite unaware of the fate in store for him, Grandpa Boydel sat quiet in his corner. For longer now than he could easily remember, his private being, the city of himself, had been strangely secluded from the outer world, walled round with quietness. All sounds were agreeably dimmed; he missed, and was glad to miss, the scraping of the children's chairs on the floor, the baby's howling, the strident voice of his daughter enjoining good behaviour.

At first these immunities had been unwelcome to him; their gradual approach had made him uneasy and short-tempered, and the shock of their sudden final completion had puzzled and frightened him. But he

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soon came to terms with the change, and learned to take a secret satisfaction in it.

Deaf, that's me. Deaf as a post. When he realised the comfort of it he began to think himself rather clever to be deaf. There was no one and nothing in the world worth listening to; so why worry?

When Liz approached him with mousing gestures, he averted his eyes distastefully, asking for memory: Who is this woman, and why am I there with her? And by emptying his sight of her he made her vanish, so that she had at last, she and her children with her, no more substance than the fancies with which he peopled the hospitable silence.

But the clock of his life had become erratic, now reversing its movements, now jerking erratically from one point to another, so that vital movements were restored to



"Here he is, right as a trivet," cried the young man.

him in a series of bright musical sensations: a day in the country as a child; a summer's night; the touch of a girl's hair on his face; a thrashing from his father; ecstasy, anguish, a young woman lying marbled in her coffin, and a voice that kept saying again, and again, quite unmeaningly, Saturday drill.

"Whatcher say, Grandpa?" screamed Liz, with sudden impatience. Arms akimbo, she bent towards him menacingly, putting her face close to his. He turned his eyes away, muttering. "Oh, lumme," said Liz, "you and your Saturday drill!"

Remembering that he was to be put away, and this very morning, she yielded to a kinder impulse, and added with jocular humor: "Want to go for a soldier, do yer? No. It's the loony bin for you, poor old soul!"

Sad though it was, the prospect cheered her. Her glance flashed round the room as she made her final disposition. "Alfie and Charley are to stay 'ere. Now 'old yer noise, Alfie or I'll 'it yer. Maudie comes with me. See, Maudie? And Alfie'll come as far as the tram with us and that's all. You're to come back, Alfie, and give an eye to baby. See? Thass right."

Grandpa Boydel found himself being persuaded to stand up. The woman was shouting at him. The little girls looked excited and self-important; they were ready for the outing. The little boys could do nothing but stare. He could hear nothing of what the woman said, and cared nothing. Not troubling his head with questions and answers, he suffered himself to be led out of the room, and down the stairs, and into the squalid squalor of Liberty-street.

It was a pleasant morning for a walk, but within five minutes of setting out Grandpa Boydel was wishing himself home again in his dingy corner. The crisp April air stung him into a higher degree of wakefulness than he had known for weeks, and the unaccustomed exercise quickened his slow blood.

This shrill woman and these large-eyed, hungry children, they would not let him rest, but must be for ever urging him on with impatient or coaxing gestures. They dragged at his arms, they shouted; he could see them shouting. And when he wanted to sit down in the road and forget everything, forget this new-minted morning and return to his world within, they all three pressed savagely upon him, and held him up, and the woman's face became an angry grinning mask.

She drew back a step; something hit him in the face, and he covered away from it. He surrendered; he submitted; his legs were set in motion again, and after a weary treadmill dream he found himself sitting in a tram.

"We want to get off at the 'orspital," Liz had told the conductor. And now she rose, briskly practical: "Kerm on, Maudie! Give us an 'and with Grandpa, cancher?" She rebuked her children's offences before they were committed: it saved time afterwards. "Now, up yer come, Grandpa. None of that nonsense this time. J'ear me?"

He did not hear her, but it was all one. He had no mind to resist her now, being busy with his thoughts. Soon, moreover, he was allowed to sit down again. A small square room it was, crowded with sick people. At intervals a young man in a white overall put his red head round the edge of the inner door and said cheerfully, "Who's next?"

One by one the number diminished, and at last it was Grandpa Boydel's turn.

"Look lively!" said the red-headed young man. "Now, what's wrong with the old gentleman?"

Mrs. Croop intervened. "We want to put him away, sir. He's loony, sir, pore old soul. That's 'ow it is, sir."

"Oh, so that's it," said the young man. He waited to hear more.

"He don't reckenize us, sir. Not none of us. And I've been a good

girl to him. I'm sure I done my best for 'im, but Saturday drill is all he'll answer when spoke to—If you ever heard of sech a thing. It don't make sense to me, and I can't do wiv 'im any longer, and that's the troof. Not safe in our beds, we ain't!"

"Beg pardon, sir?"

"Has he been attacking you? Misbehaving himself?"

"E don't answer when spoke to, sir," said Mrs. Croop, impatient of these sophistries. "You can see for yourself he don't answer," she whined.

"Right you are," said the young man, with extreme cheerfulness. "Now just step into the other room, you two. And I'll call you when I want you."

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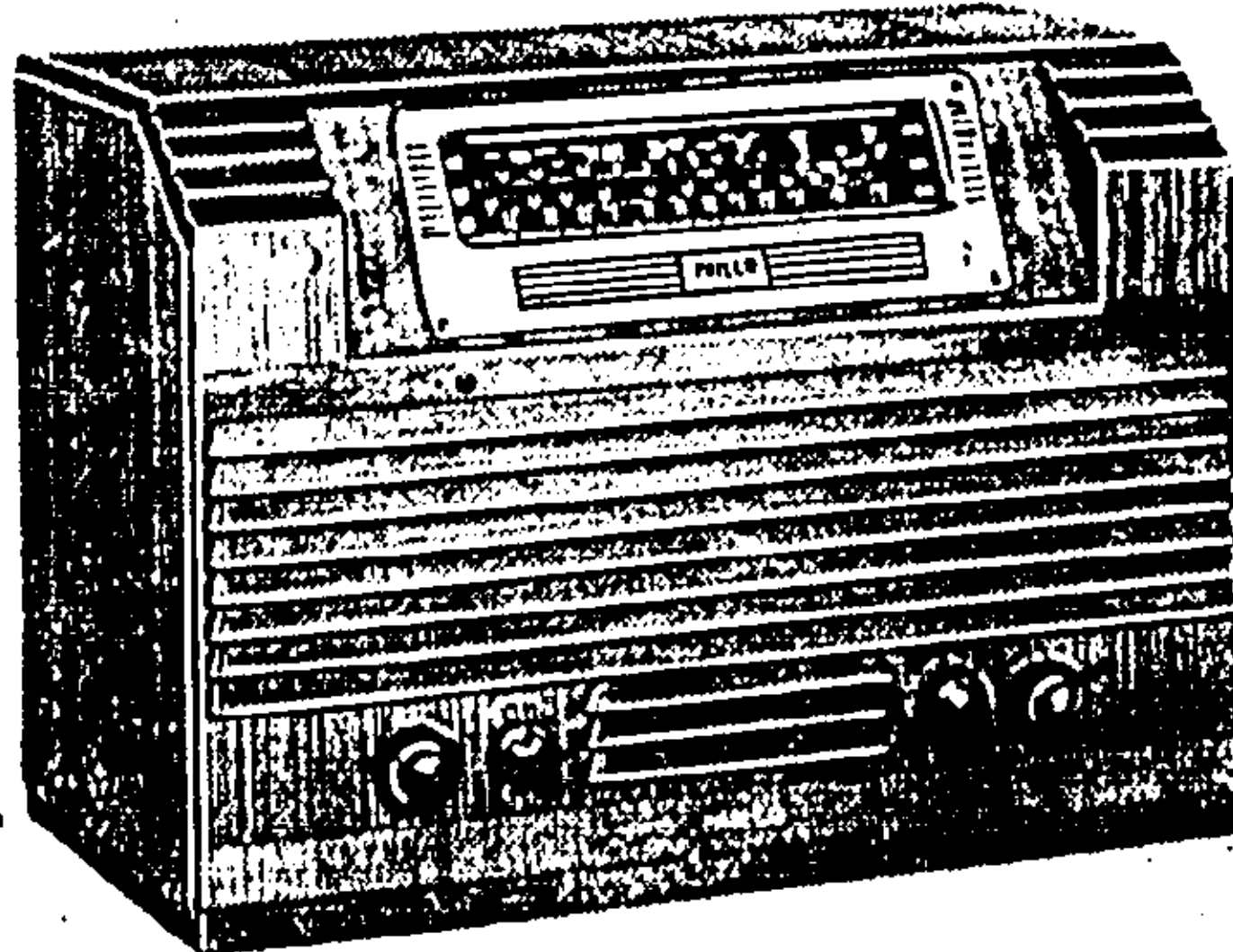
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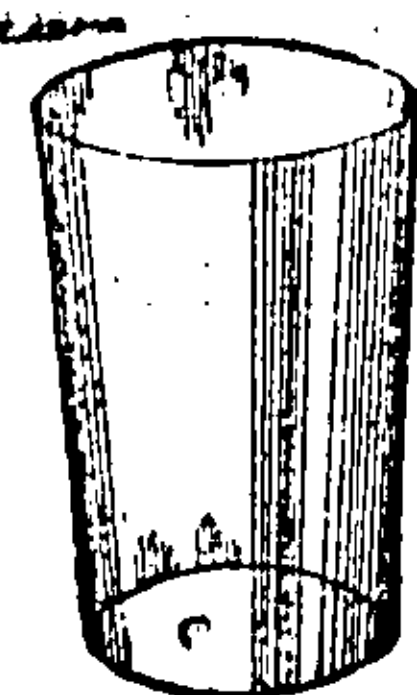
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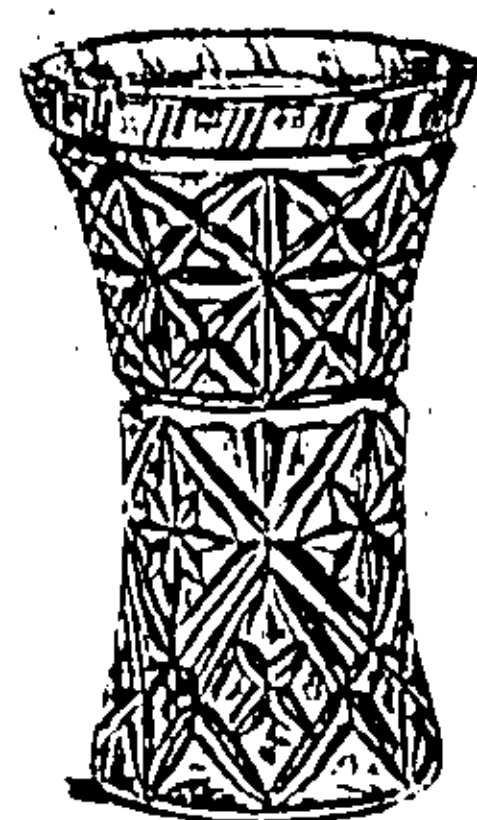
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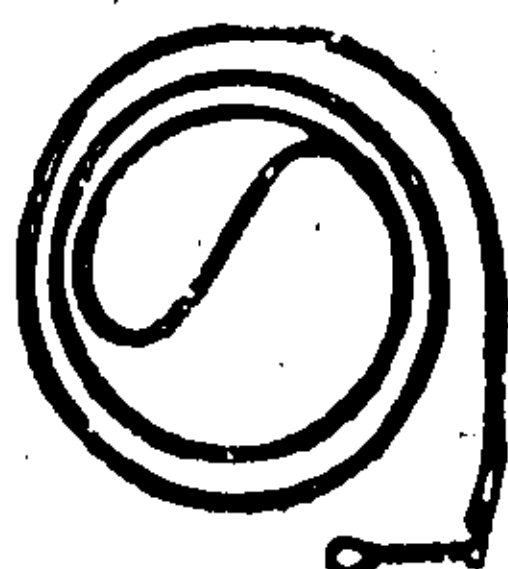
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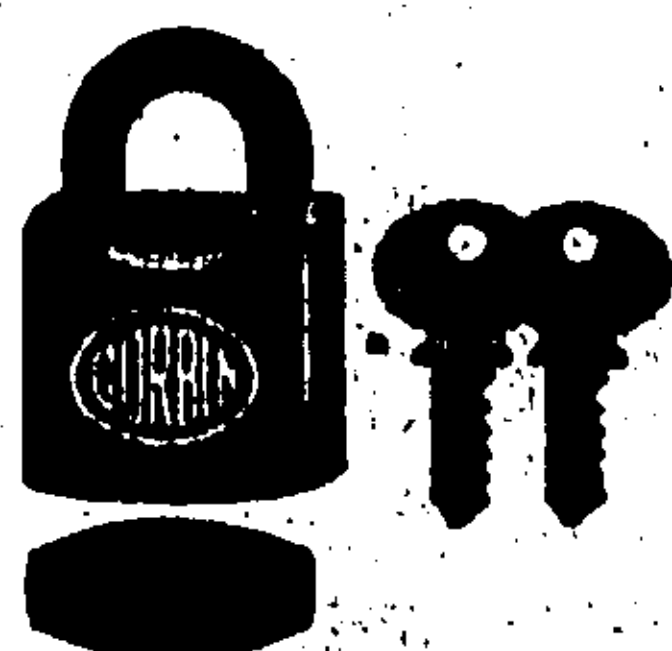
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THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN FRANCE IS THE  
MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION IN THE BRI-  
TISH AND FRENCH PRESS THIS MORNING.  
Though M. Reynaud has met with some opposi-  
tion in the Chamber, it is generally felt in  
both the London and Paris newspapers that  
he will still rally sufficient support to carry  
forward his programme.  
The "Daily Telegraph" says that French parliamentary  
methods are not always readily understood, and ob-  
servers may be perplexed by the proceedings in the  
Chamber, but above party feelings and the cross-  
currents of political opinion in France one fact re-  
mains — France's will to victory.

The Nazi press is gloating over the  
developments in Paris and is represent-  
ing them as a sign of French dis-  
unity.

The best answer to this is per-  
haps an editorial in the "New York  
World-Telegram," which says:  
"They (the Germans) forget that  
on one matter those fifty million  
Frenchmen, Left, Right and Cen-  
tre, are of one mind—Hitler must  
be crushed."

"The only issue, dividing them is  
how fast the job should be carried  
out."

The "Manchester Guardian," com-  
menting on this theme, says it is the  
pace at which we conduct the war  
which counts.

#### WELCOME SIGN

The Journal says the French gov-  
ernment changes are a welcome sign  
of France's determination to get on  
with the war.

"What the French have done we  
shall have to do too, sooner or  
later, and organise the machinery  
for the conduct of the war on more  
energetic lines."

The "Yorkshire Post" says it is an  
expression of France's determination  
to win the war and pays tribute both  
to M. Reynaud and M. Daladier.—  
Reuter.

### FUNK RUMOURS DENIED

London, Yesterday.  
Conflicting reports about the  
position of Dr. Funk, the Ger-  
man Minister of Economics and  
President of the Reichsbank, are  
current.  
While the official German  
news agency says Dr. Funk,  
who has been ill, will resume  
his duties immediately after the  
Easter holidays and character-  
ises as "pure inventions" the  
rumours of long-standing differ-  
ences between Dr. Funk and  
Field-Marshal Goering, "Berlin  
banking circles" are quoted in  
Amsterdam as expecting his re-  
signation shortly.—Reuter.

### RUMANIA'S RALLY CALL

Bucharest, Yesterday.  
King Carol declared in a  
speech that all Rumania's  
activities for the time being  
must be concentrated on  
meeting the needs of the  
army and in efforts and  
sacrifices for national de-  
fence.

"There is only one command and  
one purpose now," he declared, "and  
that is to conserve the united in-  
tegrity of Rumania."

King Carol added that Rumania  
wanted to live on friendly terms with  
all her neighbours.—Reuter.

### ITALIAN ARMY GROWS

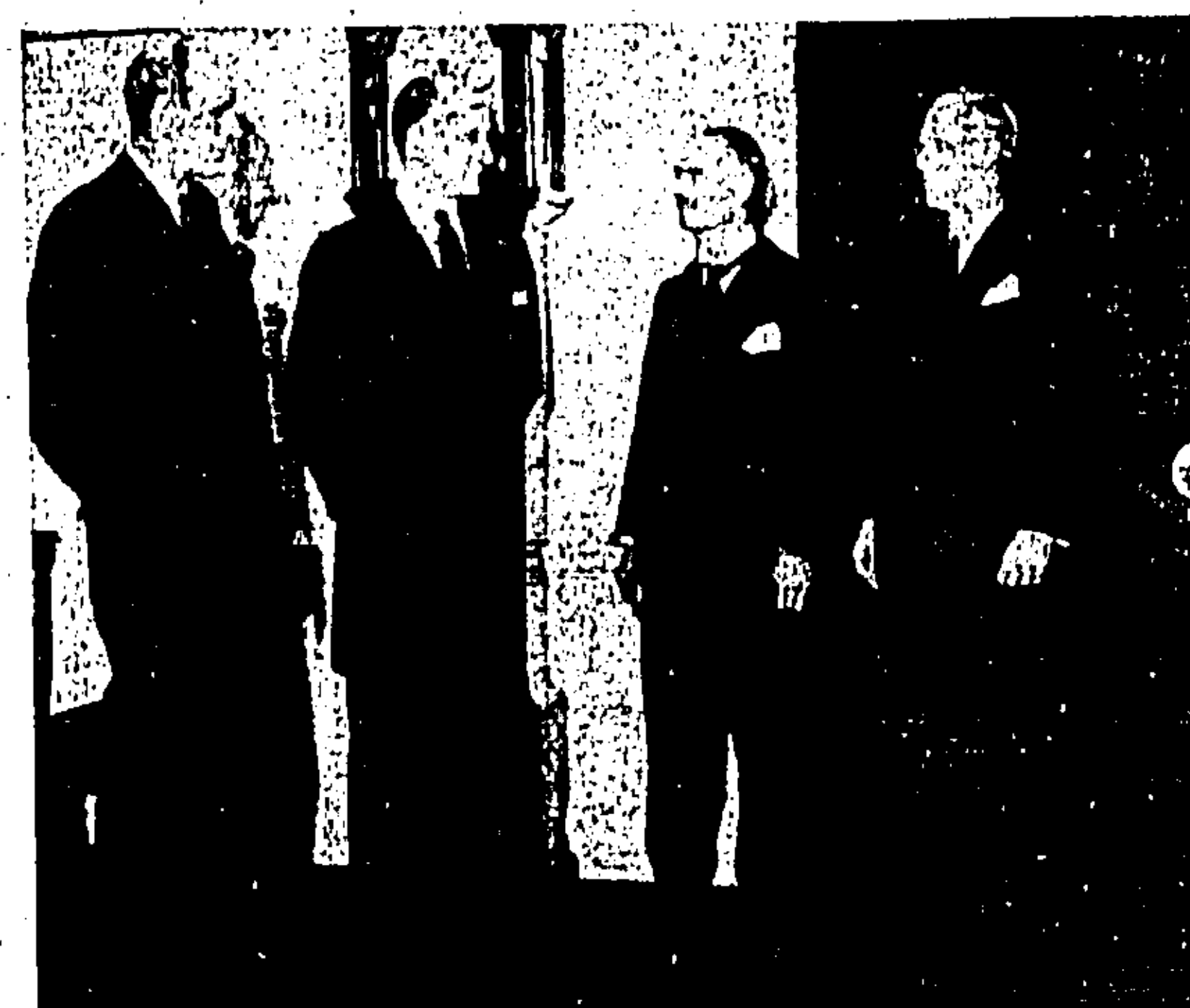
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#### DEATH

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loved wife of B. Owrum-Andre-  
sen, passed away at the Canossa  
Hospital yesterday at the age of  
49. Funeral service will take  
place to-day at the Chapel in the  
Colonial Cemetery at 4 p.m.



Photograph taken in London on March 11 when Mr. Sumner Welles paid his first visit to No. 10, Downing Street and met Mr. Neville Chamberlain. In the picture, from left to right, are Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Mr. Sumner Welles, Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador.

### SHANGHAI BRITONS CHOOSE S.M.C. CANDIDATES

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Shanghai, Yesterday.

THE BRITISH COMMUNITY straw vote for five  
Council candidates out of the seven who offer-  
ed for election ended this afternoon with the  
following results:—

Elected were Mr. George Arthur Haley, Shanghai taipan  
of the I.C.I.;

Mr. William John Keswick, managing director of Jar-  
dine Matheson;

Mr. Roderick George Macdonald, taipan of Dodwell's;

Mr. Trevor Sidney Powell, general manager of the A.P.C.

Mr. George Edward Mitchell, manager and a director of  
B. and S., and

Not chosen were Mr. John Hellyer  
Liddell, of Liddell Brothers, and Mr.  
Ronald George Macdonald, legal  
practitioner.

The five British candidates will  
now stand for election, polling in  
which takes place on April 10 and  
11.

Mr. Haley and Mr. Powell  
have not been members of the  
Council before, though the lat-  
ter was co-opted some time ago  
during Mr. Mitchell's absence  
from Shanghai on sick leave.

Meanwhile the American Associa-  
tion's primary election poll is pro-  
gressing at present and will end  
Tuesday afternoon.

#### THREE AMERICAN CANDIDATES

Three American candidates are  
running for two seats—Mr. N. F.  
Allman, legal practitioner; Mr. R. T.  
Macdonnell, of William Hunt and Co.,  
and Mr. J. W. Carney, of the Stand-  
ard Vacuum.

Mr. Allman has not served on the  
Council before.

It is recalled that Mr. C. S. Frank-  
lin, the American Chairman of the  
Council, is not running for election,  
reason being pressure of business.—  
Our Own Correspondent.

### DENMARK INCENSED

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

The brutal methods of  
German sea warfare are  
arousing increasing indig-  
nation in Denmark.

The "Social Demokraten" says:  
"Even if we recognise that Germany  
is at war with Britain, we cannot  
accept this unjust form of warfare,  
and we say this without minding if  
it does offend the German press."

Referring to the sinking of the  
Hedderheim by a British sub-  
marine, the newspaper says the  
submarine gave the Nazi vessel 10  
minutes warning.

It adds: "Further comparison of  
British and German methods of war-  
fare is unnecessary."—Reuter.

### 20 MURDERS EVERY DAY IN AMERICA

New York, Yesterday.  
Twenty murders are com-  
mitted every day in the  
United States.

This fact emerges from data com-  
piled by the Federal Bureau of In-  
vestigation, based on figures from  
207 cities with populations of 25,000  
or over.

In 1939 there were 7,514 murders  
and a general increase in serious  
crime.

New York City had 291 murders,  
Chicago 239, while Boston was at  
the bottom of the list with only 6.

Of more than 500,000 people ar-  
rested last year on criminal charges,  
more than 35 per cent. had previous  
police records.—Havas.

#### OFFICIAL FINNISH WAR LOSSES

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
Official figures have been issued in  
Helsinki of Finnish losses in the  
campaign against Russia.

They show that  
15,000 men were killed in battle,  
9,000 women were bereaved,  
25,000 children are orphans, 5,000  
houses were hit, one-third of them  
being completely destroyed, and  
500,000 are homeless.—Reuter.

#### SOCIAL CREDIT WINS ALBERTA

Montreal, Yesterday.  
Returns available so far in the Al-  
berta provincial elections show that  
the Social Credit Party have retain-  
ed control in the provincial Legis-  
lature.

So far, the party has obtained 21  
out of 27 seats announced, and is  
leading in 18 others.—Reuter.

### DENIAL OF NAZI DEMARCHE

London, Yesterday.

The German radio states  
that the German Embassy  
in Bucharest has issued a  
formal denial of the report  
that Germany has made a  
demarche to Rumania.

It had earlier been reported that  
Germany had presented a Note to  
Rumania amounting almost to an  
ultimatum announcing that the Reich  
could not tolerate the "continual  
changes" in Rumania's foreign trade  
regulations and her system of deal-  
ing with foreign currencies.—Reuter.

#### GERMAN PROPAGANDA

Observers, says Havas, believe the  
rumours originated with German  
propaganda agents, as Germany is  
hardly in an effective position to  
bring effective pressure upon Rum-  
ania.

Digest question being discussed  
by the Nazi economic mission  
headed by Dr. Clodius is that of  
oil and wheat exports which  
could not reach Germany owing  
to the Danube freezing over.

Other minor matters will be dis-  
cussed such as the extension to Bohem-  
ia and Moravia of the compensation  
system now in force between Ger-  
many and Rumania.

#### DR. CLODIUS'S NOTE

Bucharest, Yesterday.  
Dr. Clodius, the Nazi economic ex-  
pert, has arrived in the Rumanian  
capital. He has handed to the Gov-  
ernment a Note on problems for dis-  
cussion.—Reuter.

### TELEKI IN ROME

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday.  
Count Teleki, the Hungarian Prime  
Minister, who is to stay in Rome un-  
til next week, arrived in the Italian  
capital to-day. He was greeted at  
the station by Count Ciano, who is to  
give a dinner in his honour this  
evening.—Havas.

### HARBINGER

STOCKHOLM, YESTERDAY.  
THE SINKING OF THE NAZI  
STEAMER HEDDERHEIM BY A  
BRITISH SUBMARINE HAS IM-  
PRESSED SCANDINAVIAN OPIN-  
ION PROFOUNDLY.

It had hitherto been thought that  
the German watch on the Kattegat  
was too effective to allow any Brit-  
ish war vessel to operate there.

The "Dagens Nyheter" says the  
action may be the prelude to more  
intensive action against German iron  
ore shipments from Sweden.—Reuter.

#### SHIPPING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Jerusalem, Yesterday.

A Yugo-Slavian steamship line is  
at present negotiating with Palestine  
business quarters for the creation of  
a regular line between Egypt, Pale-  
stine, Syria and Turkey, completing  
the line between Yugo-Slavia,  
Trieste and Haifa which was in-  
augurated in 1939.

On the other hand, Rumanian  
ships are to resume stopovers at Tel-  
Aviv which they have interrupted for  
several months for technical reasons.  
—Havas.

### STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday.  
I.R.A. prisoners in Dartmoor  
to-day set fire to their part of  
the prison. They chose a mo-  
ment when only a few wardens  
were on duty; these they over-  
powered and set fire to the  
building. The prison fire brig-  
ade put out the flames and or-  
der was restored in about two  
hours.—Reuter.

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